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The Boston Surgical Society

Records, Volume II.

December 5, 1921 - 40th meeting

to

December 3, 1934. - 119th meeting

inclusive.

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ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

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	Nov. 3, 1919	Dec. 1, 1919	Jan. 5, 1920	Feb. 2, 1920	Mar. 16, 1920	Apr. 5, 1920	Nov. 1, 1920	Dec. 6, 1920	Jan. 4, 1921.	Feb. 7, 1921	Mar. 7, 1921	Apr. 4, 1921	June 6, 1921	Nov. 7, 1921	Dec. 5, 1921	Jan. 2, 1922	Feb. 6, 1922	Mar. 6, 1922	Apr. 3, 1922	
No. of Meeting	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	
Balch,	x	x			e	e	x	x		x	x	x		x		x	x	x		
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Bottomley,	e	e		x		x		e		e					e	x	x	x		
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Brewster,	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		e			x	x			x	
Brooks,			x	x			e			x		Died								
Cabot,		e		Became Honorary Member April 5, 1920																
Cheever,	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x		
Chute,	x	x		x	x	x		x		x	x			e	x	x	x		x	
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Cushing,	x	x	x	x	x	e		x		x		e		x	x		x			
Davis,	x	x	x	x		x	x		x		x			x	x	x	x	x		
Faulkner,		x		x	x			e		x		x				e		e	e	
Goldthwait,	e			x			e	x		e	e	x			x		e	x	x	
Graves,	x			e	e	x		x	x			e			e		x			
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Mahoney,	x	x	x	x		e		x		x	x	x			x		e	x		
Mixter, W.J.	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	e	x	Award of the Bigelow Medal	e	x	x	x	x	x	
Monks,		x	x	Became Honorary Member Jany 5, 1920																
Mosher,		x			e	x			e	x	e	x		x			x		x	
Newell,		x		e		x			e	e		e			e		e		e	
Nichols,		e		x	x			e		e		x		e			e		e	Died June 1922
O'Neil,	x			x		x	x	e	x	e		e		x	x	x	x		x	
Osgood,	x	x		e		x	x	x	x	x		x			x		e	x	x	
Painter,		e	e			e	e	e	x	x	e	e		x	x		x			
Porter,	x	x			x	x			x	x	x	x			x		x			
Richardson,		x	x	x	x	x	x			x		x		x	x		x	x	x	
Rushmore,		x	x	x		x	x	x		x				x	x	x	x	x		
Scudder,	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x		Meeting in Jordan Hall	Honorary Member						
Simmons,		x		x		x	x	x			x	x		x	x	x	x		x	
Soutter,	x		x	x		x	x	x		x						e		e		
Stone,		x	x		x	x	x	x		x		x			x		x		x	
Thorndike,		e		e		x			e			e			e			e		
Vincent,		x			x	x	x	x		e		x		x			x	e	x	
Wesselhoeft,		e		e	x	x	x							Honorary Member						
Williams,		e		x		x	x			e		e		e		e	e		e	
Elected Dec. 1920 — Lahey									x	x		x		x	x	e		e		
Mixter, C.G.									x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	
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Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Fortieth Meeting

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Record of the stated meeting held on Monday, December 5, 1921, at the Harvard Club, at 8.15 p.m. The annual meeting.

There were present: Dr. Lovett, President; Drs. Blake, Brackett, Brewster, Cheever, Chute, Codman, Cushing, Davis, Goldthwait, Hartwell, Hubbard, Jones, Lahey, Loder, Lothrop, Mahoney, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, O'Neil, Osgood, Painter, Porter, Richardson, Rushmore, Simmons, Stone, and Howe; active members; and Dr.S.J.Mixter and Dr. Packard, honorary members; and several guests.

The meeting was called to order at 8.15 p.m. by the President, and on motion, duly seconded, it was

ote VOTED: To omit the reading of the record of the previous meeting.

The first business was the election of a member of the Executive Council; Dr.Jones had been nominated at a meeting of the Council held on November 1, 1921; no other nomination was made; and on motion, duly seconded, it was

ote VOTED: That the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for Dr. Jones. This was done and Dr.Jones was declared elected, to serve five years on the Executive Council from January 1, 1922.

The President stated that the Council had made three nominations for new members of the Society. The vote of the Society on these three names was taken by ballot: twenty-four ballots were cast, all three gentlemen received the necessary two-thirds vote of the members present (By-laws, Art. II, Sect. 7), and

Dr.Joseph Emmons Briggs,
Dr.Elliott Carr Cutler,
Dr. Richard Henry Miller,

were declared elected active members of the Society.

The President stated that Dr. William J. Mayo, the recipient of the first award of the Henry J. Bigelow medal at the hands of the Society, whose name had come before the Society at a previous meeting, was eligible to become an honorary member (By-laws, Art. II, Sect. 3), and on motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Vote VOTED: That Dr.William J. Mayo be made an honorary member of the Society.

On motion, duly seconded, it was

Vote VOTED: That the annual dues for 1922 be $5.00.

The report of the Treasurer was then presented, showing a balance of $707.79 on deposit with the Old Colony Trust Co. at the close of business December 1, 1921.

The Auditing Committee, Drs.Nichols and Stone, appointed at a meeting of the Council held on November 1, 1921, reported that the accounts of the Treasurer were correctly cast and properly vouched; and on motion, duly seconded, it was

Vote VOTED: That the report of the Treasurer and that of the Auditing Committee be accepted and approved.

This ended the business meeting.

Dr. Lahey read a paper entitled "Thyroid Disease and its Treatment". The paper was discussed by Dr.Lund, Dr.Cheever, and others.

Dr.George W.Holmes (by invitation) read a paper: "Some Remarks on the x-ray Treatment of Hyperthyroidism". There was a very general discussion of the whole subject of hyperthyroidism, in the

light of the two papers of the evening.

The meeting adjourned at 10.20.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

*Dr.Lahey's paper is published in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal for April 27,1922: Vol. 186, No.17, pp. 563 - 568, under title "A Review of a Year's Thyroid Work".

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-first Meeting

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Record of the meeting held on Monday, January 2, 1922, at St.Elizabeth's Hospital, at 10 a.m.

There were present: Drs. Balch, Bottomley, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Davis, Homans, Jones, Miller, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, O'Neil, Quinby, Rushmore, Simmons, and Howe, active members; and of the honorary members, Dr.Scudder.

No business session was held; the meeting consisted of demonstrations of cases and operations by Dr.Chute, from 10.20 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The clinical report follows:

Mr.J. 43. Seen in July 1921. His history was that he had suffered from urethral stricture -- had been dilated on several occasions. A week before had come under the care of his present physician,who had passed a catheter,finding several false passages; Had been gradually getting worse since; when seen, he was mildly delirious; temp. 101 plus; pulse 100; red, fluctuant perineum; mass as of a full bladder to be felt suprapubically. Spinal anaesthesia; perineal incision, much pus, many sloughs; as there was still a mass to be felt suprapubically, median incision. Pericystic region occupied by brownish, gray sloughs, some pus; bladder opened; retrograde catheterization; perineal tube carried into bladder; tube carried down from each side of bladder into perineal incision to drain space of Retzius; wick into pocket just anterior to rectum; gas from tissue, though no connection with rectum demonstrated. Suprapubic incision brought together about suprapubic tube and wicks; perineal incision brought together loosely about tubes and wicks. Patient in hospital two months. Now at work for some time; urine nearly clear; bladder holds a good amount. A pin point perineal fistula from which is a little urinary leakage at time of urination.

Mrs.E. 40. This patient has a history of numerous operations beginning about 1911; her appendix and some of her pelvic organs were removed; her right kidney was explored in 1914; more pelvic operations, and finally a ureteral stone was found in her right ureter low down; this was removed. In 1919 we found that she had a recurrence of this ureteral stone and a destroyed right kidney was removed. On the night of November 19,1920, pain in left loin,

tenderness, temperature, and a chill. Passed urine in the evening; tried again at 1.30 a.m., January 20th, without result; no urine up to the time she entered the hospital in the evening. She had then been anuric for 18 hours but was not in the least toxic. A ureter catheter met no obstruction and drew no urine; x-rays showed no stone; salt solution under the skin, caffein sodium benzoate. On morning of the 21st no urine. Operation advised; before arrangements could be made, temp. 104, pulse 120, signs of mild toxicity; loin incision; big, adherent kidney, apparently infected; incision from cortex to pelvis; no stone found. Tube into kidney pelvis; wound packed with gauze; salt solution in large amounts; last gauze out 16 days later; made good but slow recovery; has remained well since; a good example of how well an anuria due to congestion does if operated on before the patient becomes toxic.

Mr. C. 38. Operative case. Man with history of attacks of pain in his left side for the past 5 yrs. Small shadow in the region of left ureter a little below promontory of sacrum. Radiographic catheter touched this. Extra-peritoneal incision; ureter opened and stone removed; ureter closed with two catgut sutures; abdominal wall closed in layers; wick to site of ureteral openings.

Mr. R. 34. This patient showed a priapism that began on December 3d, lasting about 3 hrs. at that time. On the 4th a recurrence of the trouble lasting a few hours; on December 5th the condition came on again and has persisted since; has had all sorts of sedatives, even has been catheterized without results. Entered the hospital on December 13th; could feel a fullness and tenderness in his left crus under the remus of the pubes; this was tender; there was a lesser swelling in the right crus; urine showed nothing; was passed without trouble; no blood changes; nothing to indicate either a spinal or cerebral lesion; has had bromide and an ice-bag; the last few days the condition has been less tense in the day and more acute at night; there has been for some days a deviation to the right with a more placid condition of the corpus cavernosum on that side; the one on which there was the smaller swelling in the crus under the pubes. The condition is probably due to a hemorrhage in the crura of the corpora cavernosa; that interferes with the venous return.

Mr.E. 66. Operative case. This patient had a suprapubic cystostomy about 6 or 7 mo. ago, done with the idea of the removal of his prostate later; when the secondary removal of his prostate was attempted, it was found that the prostate was malignant, and it was believed that it would be wiser to let the patient get along with suprapubic drainage. As patient is very tired of drainage, as x-rays show no metastases, he has been advised to have his prostate removed perineally. This operation was carried out under ether; a considerable amount of malignant tissue was removed up to and including some of the bladder outlet; radium was inserted into the sides of the cavity; special care was used not to interfere with cut-off muscle in order that there should be no lack of bladder control.

Mrs. C. 37. This patient was first seen in July 1914 because of attacks of anuria attended with temperature, vomiting, and pain in her left loin. Her right kidney did not function; it was a dead, tuberculous mass. Her bladder was definitely involved. By vagina the left ureter was thickened and apparently tuberculous but a small ureteral catheter drew practically normal urine from the left kidney

pelvis. The patient had been advised that nothing could be done for her comfort or to prolong life. It appeared, however, that the left kidney itself was pretty good but was periodically shut off by an acute swelling of the lower end of the ureter which was tuberculous. It appeared to be one of those rare instances where a tuberculosis was ascending from a diseased bladder to the second kidney. The left kidney was cut down upon and seemed to be normal, as was also the upper part of the left ureter, consequently a nephrectomy was done. During the past seven years this patient has been in very fair health. She has had none of the attacks of anuria. At times the sinus has to be dilated and a new tube inserted. The function of the bladder has been entirely eliminated. She has not passed a drop of urine for five years of more.

The meeting adjourned at 12.45 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,

Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-second Meeting

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Record of the meeting held on Monday, February 6, 1922, at the Harvard Club, at 8.15 p.m.

There were present: Dr. Lovett, President; Drs. Balch, Bottomley, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Codman, Cotton, Cushing, Cutler, Davis, Graves, Hartwell, Homans, Hubbard, Jones, Loder, Lothrop, Lund, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, Mosher, Miller, O'Neil, Painter, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, Rushmore, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, and Howe, active members; Dr.Hayward W.Cushing and Dr.Packard, honorary members; Dr.Dallas B. Phemister of Chicago, the guest of the Society, and several guests of members.

The record of the previous meeting was not read.

There was no business meeting.

Dr.Dallas B.Phemister read a paper entitled "The Characteristics of the New Bone Formed in Fractures, Inflammations, and Bone Tumors". The paper was illustrated by a large collection of lantern slides; there was discussion by Drs. Stone, Cushing, and Cotton.

Dr.Charles G. Mixter read a paper entitled "Tumors of the Kidney in Infancy and Childhood".

Dr. Mixter's paper was discussed by Dr.Chute, Dr.Lund, and Dr. Quinby.

The meeting adjourned at 10.20 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

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Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-third Meeting

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Record of the meeting held on Monday, March 6, 1922, at the Carney Hospital, South Boston, at 10 a.m.

There were present: Drs. Balch, Bottomley, Briggs, Cheever, Codman, Cotton, Davis, Goldthwait, Homans, Jones, Loder, Lund, Mahoney, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, Miller, Osgood, Quinby, Richardson, Rushmore, and Howe, active members; Drs. Johnson and Scudder, honorary members.

There was no business meeting.

Operations were performed by Dr.Bottomley, Dr.Johnson, Dr.Mahoney, and other members of the Surgical, Gynecological, and Orthopedic Staff. A most interesting operation was done by Dr. Bottomley, removing a foreign body from the peritoneal cavity in a patient who had previously been operated upon in another hospital.

The meeting adjourned at 12.45 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-fourth Meeting

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Record of the meeting held on Monday, April 3, 1922, at the Harvard Club at 8.15 p.m.

There were present: Dr. Lovett, President; Drs.Blake, Brewster, Chute, Codman, Cotton, Cutler, Goldthwait, Greenough, Hubbard, Lothrop, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, Mosher, Miller, O'Neil, Osgood, Quinby, Richardson, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, and Howe, active members; Drs.Johnson and Hayward W. Cushing, honorary members; and several guests of members.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 8.15 p.m. The record of the previous meeting was not read.

There was no business meeting.

Dr. Quinby read a paper entitled "Diagnosis in Diseases of the Urinary Tract". The paper was illustrated with lantern slides. It was discussed by Dr. Chute.

Dr. Goldthwait read a paper entitled "Diffuse and Local Dilatation of the Oesophagus without Pathological Stenosis -- Cardiospasm; Diverticula."

Dr. Goldthwait's paper was discussed by Dr. Mosher and Dr. Codman.

The meeting adjourned at 9.50 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Executive Council

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A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society was held at 234 Marlborough Street, on Thursday, May 11, 1922, at 5 p.m.

Present: Dr. Lovett, Chairman; Drs.Balch, Bottomley, Davis, Hubbard, Jones, and Howe.

The minutes of the previous meeting were not read.

The Chairman stated that the meeting was called to consider the matter of an award of the Bigelow medal at some time during the week of the Convocation of the American College of Surgeons in Boston, in October 1922; and after discussion, it was

Vote VOTED: That the Council recommend that the Society make an award of the Bigelow medal at a meeting to be held at some suitable time and place later to be determined, in October 1922.

There followed extended discussion as to the recipient of the award; about ten surgeons of distinction in this country and abroad were mentioned, and the value of their respective contributions to the advancement of surgery discussed. It was

Vote VOTED: That the Chair appoint a committee of three to make all arrangements for the meeting (exclusive of the selection of the medalist).

The Chair subsequently appointed as such committee

Dr.Bottomley
Dr.Davis
Dr. Howe.

The meeting then adjourned, to May 15, 1922, at 6 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Executive Council

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A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society was held at 234 Marlborough Street, on Monday, May 15, 1922, at 6 p.m.

Present: Dr. Lovett, Chairman; Drs. Balch, Davis, Hubbard, and Howe. (All other members of the Council were absent from the city.)

The Chairman announced that a conference had been held with Dr. Franklin H. Martin, Secretary General of the American College of Surgeons, and it had been decided that the evening of Wednesday, October 25, 1922, be given over to the medalist meeting of the Boston Surgical Society.

There was discussion as to the recipient of the medal; other names were mentioned in addition to those discussed at the previous meeting; no decision was reached; and the Secretary was requested by the Chair to ask the opinion of members of the Society, and to report at the next meeting.

The Council then adjourned.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Executive Council

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A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society was held at 234 Marlborough Street, on Thursday, May 18, 1922, at 5 p.m.

Present: Dr. Lovett, Chairman; Drs. Balch, Davis, Jones, and Howe.

The Secretary reported that he had conferred with a number of members of the Society not councillors, and the Secretary read letters from nearly all of them, the majority favoring Dr. William Keen of Philadelphia as first choice for the recipient of the Bigelow medal in October 1922.

There was further discussion, and it was

Vote VOTED: That Dr. Keene be recommended as the recipient of the Bigelow medal at a meeting of the Society to be held on October 25, 1922; that the Secretary be instructed to send a notice of this action of the Council to all members of the Society.

The Committee appointed on May 11 to make arrangements for the meeting for award of the medal (Dr. Bottomley, Chairman) reported progress.

The meeting then adjourned.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Executive Council

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A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society was held at 234 Marlborough Street, on October 4, 1922, at 5 p.m.

Present: Dr. Lovett, Chairman; and Drs.Balch, Bottomley, Blake, Davis, Hubbard, and Howe.

The record of the previous meeting was not read.

The following Nominating Committee, to prepare a list of officers to be elected at the annual meeting of the Society in December, was appointed:

Dr. Hubbard, Chairman
Dr. Cheever
Dr. Richardson.

The Auditing Committee was appointed by the Chairman as follows:

Dr. Stone
Dr. Vincent.

There was discussion as to programme of meetings for the year; it was

ote VOTED: That the clinical meeting of November 6, 1922, be held at the Massachusetts Homoeopathic Hospital, if the Secretary finds it possible to so arrange it; and that the other clinical meetings of the year 1922 - 1923 be held at the Free Hospital for Women and at the Children's Hospital -- the whole matter of arrangement to be left in the hands of the Secretary.

The Treasurer made a statement as to the financial condition of the Society, and it was

Vote VOTED: That the Executive Council recommend to the Society that the annual assessment continue to be $5.00.

Dr. Blake introduced the matter of the Society having senior members as well as active and honorary members, and after discussion, it was

Vote VOTED: That the Chairman appoint a committee to consider an amendment to the By-laws, Article II, having to do with members; and that this committee make its report to the Executive Council.

The Chairman appointed as this committee,

Dr. Bottomley
Dr. Blake

The Secretary read the list of nominations for membership in the Society, and after discussion, there being two vacancies in the list of active members, ballots were prepared, three names were voted upon, and the following names received the necessary "two thirds affirmative vote of the Council", bringing their names before the Society for election at the annual meeting:

Dr. William Edwards Ladd
Dr. Wyman Whittemore

The meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.

Walter C. Howes,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-fifth Meeting

Second Award of the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal

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Record of a special meeting held on Wednesday, October 25, 1922, at Jordan Hall, Huntington Avenue and Gainsborough Street, at 8.30 p.m.

There were present nearly all the active and honorary members of the Society, and their guests, the members of the Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons, which at the time was holding its session in Boston.

The address of the evening was delivered by Dr. William Williams Keen, of Philadelphia, Emeritus Professor of Surgery, Jefferson Medical College, on the subject

"Sixty Years of Surgery: 1862 - 1922."

The Henry Jacob Bigelow medal was awarded to Dr. Keen by the Society, the presentation being made by Dr.Harvey Cushing.

The introduction of Dr. Keen by Dr. Lovett, President of the Society, and Dr.Keen's address, are published in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, Vol. 187, No. 17, (October 26, 1922.)

Dr. Cushing's remarks in presenting the medal for the Society appear in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, Vol.187, No. 18, Page 650 (Nov. 2,1922).

Walter C. Howe,

Secretary

Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-sixth Meeting

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Record of the stated meeting held on Monday, November 6, 1922, at the Massachusetts Homoeopathic Hospital, at 10 a.m.

There were present: Drs. Blake, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Cobb, Codman, Cotton, Cutler, Davis, Homans, Lahey, Loder, Lund, Mahoney, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, Richardson, Rushmore, and Howe, active members; and Drs. Packard and Scudder, honorary members.

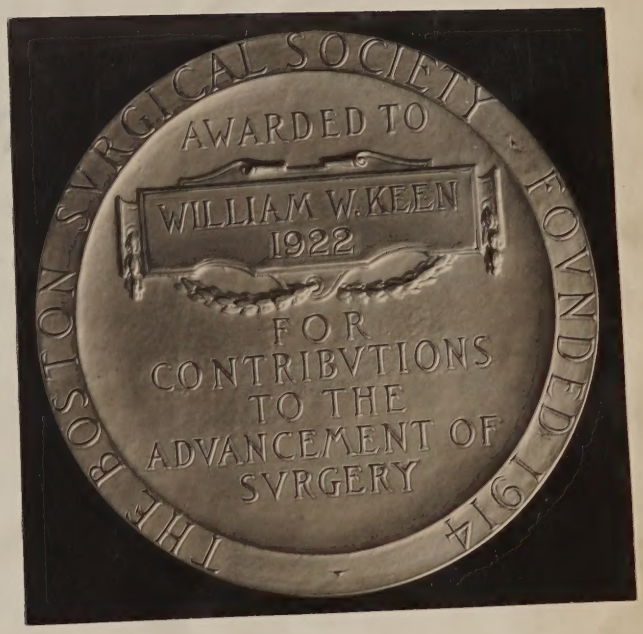
Very complete transcripts of the history, physical examination, and laboratory findings of the cases to be operated and shown were distributed to the members of the Society.

Dr.Thomas E. Chandler operated upon a patient with cancer of the gall-bladder and metastases in the liver; the pathological report later being adeno-carcinoma (of the fundus of the gall-bladder).

Dr. Packard showed a male patient, 45 years old, giving a history of indigestion during the past five years, occasional vomiting of undigested food, constipation, and pain in the right lower quadrant; patient has never had to give up his work on account of attacks. Dr. Packard asked the opinion of the Society as to the necessity or the advisability of operation. It was the consensus of opinion that the patient should be operated upon, and the appendix removed.

Dr. Charles T. Howard did a thyroidectomy on a patient with toxic goitre. The operation was done under rectal anaesthesia, the technique of which was fully described by Dr.Mary A.Leavitt, the anaesthetist.

HENRY JACOB BIGELOW
1818 - 1890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Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-sixth M

Dr. Briggs did a gastro-enterostomy on a patient with gastric ulcer.

The various buildings of the hospital and the medical school were visited by members of the Society, under the guidance of Dr. Briggs and the Superintendent of the hospital, after which lunch was served, and the meeting adjourned at 1.15 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

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Boston Surgical Society (Incorporated)

Forty-seventh Meeting

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Record of the stated meeting held on Monday, December 4, 1922, at the Harvard Club, at 8.15 p.m. (The annual meeting)

There were present: Dr. Lovett, President; and Drs. Balch, Blake, Bottomley, Brewster, Chute, Cushing, Cutler, Davis, Goldthwait, Greenough, Hartwell, Homans, Hubbard, Jones, Lahey, Loder, Lothrop, C.G.Mixter, Mosher, Miller, O'Neil, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, Williams, and Howe, active members; Drs. Monks and Scudder, honorary members. Dr.Wyman Whittemore was present for the latter part of the meeting, and several guests.

It was

Vote VOTED: That the reading of the record of the previous meeting be omitted.

The President announced that the first business of the meeting was the election of officers of the Society. The President read the report of the Nominating Committee (Dr. Hubbard, Chairman).

For President, Dr. John T. Bottomley;
For Vice-President, Dr.George W.W.Brewster;
For Secretary-Treasurer, Dr.Channing C.Simmons;
For member of Executive Council, Dr.Charles F.Painter.

There were no further nominations, and on motion of Dr. Greenough, which was duly seconded, it was

Vote VOTED: That the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the officers nominated.

This was done and the officers above-named were declared elected to serve for two years, from January 1, 1923, with the exception of the member of the Executive Council, who was to serve five years, from January 1, 1923.

The next business was the election of new members of the Society: the President announced that the Executive Council had made the following nominations, and that the names had been announced in the call of the meeting:

Dr. William Edwards Ladd
Dr. Wyman Whittemore;

For honorary membership:

Dr. William Williams Keen of Philadelphia.

Tellers were appointed, the vote was taken by ballot, on the nominations for active membership, and Dr.Ladd and Dr.Whittemore were declared elected as active members.

Dr. Keen was elected an honorary member by the unanimous
Vote vote of the members present.

On motion of Dr. Balch, which was duly seconded, it was
Vote VOTED: That the annual assessment for 1923 be $5.00.

The report of the Treasurer was then received, showing that all members (49 in number) had paid their annual assessments, and that a balance of $760.01 was on deposit to the credit of the Society at the Old Colony Trust Co.

The report of the Auditing Committee (Drs.Stone and Vincent), appointed at the Executive Council meeting in October, was read by the Treasurer, and on motion of Dr.Blake, duly

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seconded, it was

Vote VOTED: That the report of the Treasurer and of the Auditing Committee be accepted..

This completed the business meeting.

Dr. Homans read a paper entitled "The Etiology and Clinical Features of Lung Abscess", illustrated by lantern slides.

The paper was discussed by Drs. Whittemore, Mosher, Davis, and others.

Dr. Miller read a paper entitled "Report of 116 cases of Tetanus at the Massachusetts General Hospital".

After discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

Walter C. Howe,
Secretary

Boston Surgical Society, Inc.

Forty-eighth Meeting.

Record of the meeting held January 8,1923 at the Children's Hospital.

The records of the last meeting were not read and no business meeting was held.

There were present Drs. Balch, Blake, Bottomly, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Cotton, Cutler, Davis, Homans, Hubbard, Ladd, C.G. Mixter, W.J. Mixter, Miller, Osgood, Painter, Quimby, Soutter, Stone, and Whittemore.

Clinical cases were presented by members of the hospital staff the demonstrations being followed by operations. The program was as follows;-

Cases Presented.

Branchial Cyst	Dr Mixter
Post-operative Congenital Stenosis of Bile Ducts	Dr Mixter
Prolapse of Rectum	Dr Ladd
Bilateral Calcified Bursae of Heels.	Dr Stone
Keloid of Neck	Dr Stone
Unilateral Hypertrophy	Dr Stone
Osteoma,-Frontal Bone	Dr Stone
Congenital Absence of Pylorus	Dr Cutler

Operations.

Excision of Branchial Cyst	Dr Mixter
Rectopexy	Dr Ladd
Right Inguinal Hernia,	Dr Stone.

Lincoln Davis.

Acting Secretary.

Boston Surgical Society, Inc.

Executive Council.

A meeting of the Executive Council was held at 165 Beacon Street on Monday, January 15, 1923 at 5 P.M.

There were present Dr Bottomly, Chairman, Drs. Lovett, Painter, Hubbard, Jones, Brewster, Davis, and Simmons.

Dr Bottomly reported for the committee appointed to ammend the By-Laws and after discussion it was,-

VOTED That the Executive Council recommend the Society change Article 11 of the By-Laws to read as follows;

Section 1. There shall be three classes of members, Active, Senior and Honorary. The number of Active members shall be limited to fifty.

Section 2. Surgeons who have had five years service of the staff of accredited hospitals of Boston or elsewhere shall be eligible to election as Active members.

Section 3. Any active member at his own request and with the approval of the Executive Council may become a senior member. Senior members shall not vote and shall not pay dues but may take part in the scientific work of the Society. Senior members shall not be eligible to office.

Section 4. Any distinguished surgeon whose name shall have been approved by the Executive Council, whether or not a resident of the City of Boston, may be elected an Honorary member by a unanimous vote at any meeting of the Society.

It was also;-

VOTED To recommend that any member whose name is now on the Hist of Honorary members but who had previously been an active member, be made a Senior member.

Dr Lovett mentioned the fact that the Tri-State Medical Society is to hold a two day meeting in this city on April 17-18 and suggested that the Boston Surgical Society give a dinner for that Socity on the evening of April 17th. There will be 150 visiting physicians and a dinner could be arranged at the Harvard Club to cost three dollars a plate. The total cost of the dinner would be approximately $800. After discussion it was recommended by Dr Jones that invitations to such a dinner be sent out in the name of the Society the expenses to be met by subscription from the members.

Dr Faulkner's resignation was brought before the Council but action was postponed.

There was some discussionas to the advisability of having more scientific meetings and fewer clinical meetings during the year 1923-1924.

The meeting adjourned at 6.15 P.M.

Francis C. Simmons

Secretary.

BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY, Incorporated.

Forty-ninth Meeting.

Record of the forty-ninth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, February 5, 1923 at the Harvard Club, Boston.

There were present Drs. Blake, Bottomly, Brackett, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cutler, Davis, Graves, Greenough, Hartwell, Howe, Hubbard, Lahey, Lund, C.G. Mixter, W.J. Mixter, Osgood, Quimby, Richardson, Simmons, Soutter, Stone, Whittemore, and Ladd, Drs Hutchins, Hayden, Leland and Lund attended the meeting as guests.

On motion of Dr Blake it was,-

Voted That the reading of the records of the last meeting be omitted.

The proposed ammendment to Article 2 of the By-Laws creating a Senior as well as an Honorary membership was read andon motion ofDr Stone seconded by Dr Quimby it was,-

Voted That the ammendment to Article 2 of the By-Laws as read be accepted.

The proposition that the Society invite the Tri-State Medical Society to a dinner to be given at the Harvard Club on April 17th was brought up and after a short discussion on motion of Dr Osgood, duly seconded, it was,-

Voted That the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, invite the Tri-State Medical Society to a dinner to be held at the Harvard Club on April 17th, the details of arrangements etc to be left in the hands of the Executive Council.

Drs Lincoln Davis, W.P. Graves, and H.T. Hutchins (by invitation) read short papers on cancer of the uterus discussing in particular the relative value of surgical and radiation treatment. The discussion was opened by Dr G.A. Leland (by invitation).

After a general discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9.45 P.M.

Francis C. Simmons

Secretary.

Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated.

Executive Council.

A meeting of the Executive Council was held at the office of Dr Bottomley, 165 Beacon Street, at 5 P.M. February 23, 1923.

There were Present Drs. Bottomley, Brewster, Jones, Hubbard, Painter, Lovett and Simmons.

There was a general discussion of the arrangements to be made for the entertainment and clinics to be given at the meeting of the Tri-State Medical Society on April 17-18. It was finally decided that the program be as follows,-

April 17.	9 to 12.	Clinics at the Massachusetts General, Boston City, and Carney Hospitals, and Free Hospital for Women.
	12 to 12.30	Inspection Forsythe Dental Infirmary.
	1.	Lunch at Harvard Medical School
	2 to 4.30	Exercises at Harvard Medical School
	4.30 to 6	Inspection Huntington and Lying-In Hospitals.
	7	Dinner Harvard Club.
April 18	9 to 12	Clinics at Peter Bent Brigham, Childrens, Deaconess, and Huntington Hospitals.
	1	Lunch at Harvard Medical School
	2 to 4.30	Exercises at Harvard Medical School.
	4.30 to 6	Inspection Huntington and Lying-In Hospitals.

The following committees were appointed,-

For Clinics.

Dr Hubbard	Boston City Hospital
Drs Jones and Simmons	Massachusetts General Hospital
Drs Cushing and Christian	Peter Bent Brigham Hospital
Dr Osgood	Childrens Hospital
Dr Bottomley	Carney Hsopital
Dr Graves	Free Hospital for Women
Dr Newell	Boston Lying-In Hospital
Dr Simmons	Collis P. Huntington Hospital
Dr Lahey	Deaconess Hospital.

Dinner Committee.

Drs Bottomley and Christian

Transportation

Dr Lincoln Davis.

A letter from Dr Christian to Dr Bottomley was read in which he offered in conjunction with 19 other clinicians, to contribute $300 towards the expenses of the dinner. On motion of Dr Jones, duly seconded, it was,-

Voted,- That the offer of Dr Christian be accepted.

On Motion of Dr Painter, duly seconded, it was,-

VOTED That the Secretary send out notices requesting a subscription of fifteen dollars from all the Active members of the Society to defray the expenses of the dinner.

A letter from Dr W.P.Bowers was read asking if the Society would bear the expense of the illustrations for Dr Homans' paper read before the Society in December 1922and which is to be published in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal. On motion of Dr Jones, duly seconded, it was,-

VOTED That the Society could not assume any expense for the publication of articles presented at its meetings.

The resignation of Dr W.E.Faulkner was brought up and on motion of Dr Jones, duly seconded, it was,-

VOTED That Dr Faulkner be made a Senior member of the Society, and that the Secretary write to the Honorary members who had previously been Active members of the Society, asking if they had objection to being transferred from the Honorary to the Senior list.

The meeting adjourned at 6.15 P.M.

Fleming C Simmons

Secretary.

Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated.

Fiftieth Meeting.

Record of the meeting held March 5, 1923 at the Free Hospital for Women, Brookline, at 10 A.M.

There were present Drs Balch, Brewster, Briggs, Bottomley, Cheever, Chute, Crockett, Cotton, Davis, Graves Homans, Hubbard, Ladd, Lahey, O'Neil, Richardson, Vincent and Simmons, active members, and Dr Scudder, Senior member.

Operations were performed by Dr Graves, the program of the meeting being as follows,-

1. Cauterization of Cervix. Oldhausen operation.
2. Amputation of Cervix and Coeliotomy for Procedentia.
3. Clark's Perineorrhaphy.
4. Repair of Complete Laceration of Perineum.
5. Repair of Recto-vaginal Fistula.

Dr Graves discussed the cases at length giving his reasons for the choice of operation in the individual case.

Fanning C. Simmons

Secretary.

Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated.

Fifty-first Meeting.

Records of the fifty-first meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, April 2, 1923 at the Harvard Club, Boston.

There were present Doctors Chute, Briggs, O'Neil, Lothrop, Rushmore, Bottomley, Crockett, Newell, Brewster, Porter, Osgood, Mahoney, Cutler, Lahey, Balch, Loder, Davis, Whittemore, and W.J.Mixter. Dr Bronson Crothers was present by invitation.

On Motion of Dr Blake duly seconded it was.-

VOTED. That the reading of the records of the last meeting be omitted.

The following papers were presented.,

"Consideration of the Surgical Treatment of Otitic Meningitis" by Dr E.A.Crockett.

"The Effect of the Forces Used in Delivery upon the Central Nervous System of the Foetus" by Dr Bronson Crothers (by invitation).

"Cesarean Section" by Dr F.S.Newell.

The papers were fully discussed by Dr Rushmore, Dr Newell, Dr W.J. Mixter and Dr Cutler.

Dr Bottomley called attention to the biographies of distinguished surgeons that are appearing in "Srugery Gynecology and Obstetrics" and mentioned the fact that the biography of no Boston surgeon had appeared. Dr Mayo is interested in these biographies and feels taht those of certain Bostpn surgeons should be published. On motion of Dr Brewster duly seconded, it was VOTED;- that the matter of obtaining biographies of Boston surgeons for publication in "Surgery Gynecology and Obstetrics" be left to the Executive Council.

The meeting adjourned at 9.50 P.M.

Lincoln Davis.

Secretary, pro tem

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Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, Dinner

to

Tri-State Medical Association.

On Tuesday April 17,1923 the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, in conjunction with certain clinicians of the city, gave a dinner at the Harvard Club, Boston, to 350 members of the Tri-State Medical Association who were holding a two day clinical meeting in the city. President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard University presided. Sir Harold Stiles of Edinborough was present as an invited guest.

Following the dinner there were speeches by President Lowell, Sir Harold Stiles, and Dr Horace M. Brown, President of the Tri-State Association. Moving pictures were shown by Dr Carpenter illustrating some of the metabolism experiments carried on in the Carnegie nutrition laboratory under the direction of Dr Benedict.

Executive Council.

October 4,1923

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society,Inc. was held at the office of Dr Bottomley on Thursday,October 4,1923 at 5 P.M.

There were present Drs Brewster,Bottomley,Davis,Jones and Simmons.

The matter of biographies of past distinguished Boston surgeons for publication in Surgery,Gynaecology and Obstetrics,was discussed. It was suggested that the biographies of the following men be written;-

Dr W.S.Bigelow	by Dr Osgood
Dr C.B.Porter	by Dr C.A.Porter
Dr John Homans	by Dr John Homans
Dr J.M.Munro	by Dr Bottomley
Dr David Cheever	by Dr Cheever
Dr M.H.Richardson	by Dr D.F.Jones.

The Chair appointed as an auditing committee Drs J.S.Stone and B.Vincent.

The Chair appointed as a nominating committee Drs G.W.W.Brewster and Lincoln Davis.

A letter was read from Dr W.C.Howe in which he requested to be made a Senior member. After some discussion it was

VOTED That the request of Dr Howe be granted and that his name be placed on the list of Senior members.

The advisability of placing the names of certain other members on the Senior list was discussed and it was;

VOTED That the name of Dr J.B.Blake be placed on the Senior list and that the Secretary write to Dr Paul Thorndike asking if he had any objection to being made a Senior member.

The Treasurer made a statement as to the financial condition of the Society and it was

VOTED That the Executive Council recommend to the Society that the assessment for the coming year be $5.00.

The election of new members was discussed but the attendance at the meeting was so small the matter was postponed.

The meetings for the coming year were discussed and the following program adopted.

November	Clinical meeting. Peter Bent Brigham Hospital
December	Gall bladder surgery
January	Clinical meeting. Boston City Hospital
February	Genito-urinary and children's surgery.
March	Clinical meeting. Collis P. Huntington Hospital.
April	Gastric surgery.

The meeting adjourned at 6 P.M.

Francis C. Simmons

Secretary.

THE BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY Incorporated.

A meeting of the Executive Council was held at the office of Dr Bottomley on Monday, October 15, 1923 at 5 P.M.

There were present Drs Bottomley, Brewster, Jones, Hubbard, and Simmons. The meeting was called to consider nominations of candidates for active membership to fill the three vacancies made by the placing of the names of Drs Faulkner, Blake and Howe on the list of Senior members.

After considerable discussion it was voted that the follwwing three names be recommended to the Society for election to active membership. These three men received an affirmative vote from the five members present and from Drs Davis and Painter who had given their proxies to the Secretary.

Dr Nathaniel Allison

Dr Horace Binney

Dr Geoarge A. Leland Jr.

The meeting adjourned at 5.40 P.M.

Francis C. Simmons

Secretary.

The Boston Surgical Society, Inc.

Fifty-second Meeting.

Record of the meeting held November 5, 1923 at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

There were present Drs. Cutler, Cushing, Cheever, Homans, Quimby, Cobb, Lothrop, Osgood, Briggs, Richardson, Crockett, Simmons, Bottomley, Whittemore, Greenough, Balch, Rushmore, Graves, C.M. Mixter, S.J. Mixter, Vincent, Davis, Ladd, Painter, O'Neil, Stone, Porter nad Miller.

The following operations were performed before the Society by members of the surgical staff of the hospital.

Ventriculography	Dr Horrax
Thyroidectomy	Dr Cheever
Hysterectomy	Dr Homans
Cystotomy	Dr Quimby
Cerebellar exploration	Dr Cushing
Plastic of Urethra	Dr Quimby
Pyloroplasty	Dr Cheever
Cholecystectomy	Dr Cutler
Ventral Hernia.	Dr Cutler.

Francis C Simmons

Secretary.

FIFTY_THIRD MEETING.

Record of the stated meeting of the Boston Surgical Society,Inc.held on December 3,1923 at 8.15 P.M.at the Harvard Club of Boston.

There were present Doctors Bottomley,Brackett,Brewster,Chever,Chute,Codman, Cutler,Davis,Goldthwaite,Greenough,Hartwell,Homans,Hubbard,Jones,Lehey,Lund,Mahoney, W.J.Mixter,C.M.Mixter,Mosher,Miller,O8Neil,Osgood,Porter,Quimby,Richardson, Rushmore,Soutter,Stone,and Simmons. Dr Grossman of Philadelphia,Dr Plummer of Buffalo,and Dr Charles Lund were present as guests.

The President announced that the Nominating Committee had nominated Dr John Homans for election as a member of the Executive Council to serve for five years,- till January 1,1929.On Motion of Dr Jones duly seconded,it was;-

VOTED That the Secretary cast one ballot for Dr Homans.

This was done and Dr Homans declared elected.

The report of the Treasurer and of the Auditing Committee (Drs Vincent and Stone) was read. On December 1,1922 there was $761.01 in the treasury and on December 1,1923 there was $772.05. On motion of Dr Cheever,duly seconded,it was;-

VOTED That the report of the Treasurer and of the Auditing Committee be accepted.

The President then announced that the Executive Council recommended that the following men be elected to active membership in the Society.

Dr Nathaniel Allison
Dr Horace Binney
Dr George A.Leland Jr.

These men were voted on by ballot and declared elected.

The President then spoke at length of the interest that Dr George H.Monks had always taken in the Society,and how it was through his efforts that Dr Bigelow gave the endowment for the Bigelow Medal. He suggested that the Society elect Dr Monks as an Honorary member. On motion of Dr Porter,duly seconded,it was;-

VOTED That Dr George H.Monks be made an Honorary Member of the Society in partial recognition of his interest in the Society and his untiring efforts in futhering its aims and ideals.

The business meeting then adjourned and the following papers were presented.

Dr Daniel F.Jones;- Pain following Cholecystectomy.

Dr Joshua Hubbard;- A Review of the Autopsies of the Cases of Cholelithiasis at the Boston City Hospital.

Dr John Homans;- The Differential Diagnosis between Biliary Obstruction Due to Stone and to Cancer.

After considerable discussion the meeting closed.

Dr Horace Packard reported a case of torsion of the omentum in a young man with an inguinal hernia. The lower portion of the omentum was adherent in the hernia sac.

The meeting adjourned at 10.50 P.M.

Francis C. Simmons

Secretary.

Fifty-fourth Meeting.

Record of the fifty-fourth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on January 7, 1924 at the Boston City Hospital.

There were present Drs. Allison, Bottomley, Brackett, Briggs, Cheever, Codman, Cotton, Homans, Hubbard, Lahey, Loder, Lothrop, Lund, Mahoney, C.G. Mixter, ~~W.J. Mixter~~, Quite ~ Miller, O'Neil, Osgood, Quimby, Stone, and Binney.

The following program was presented ;

10 to 11 A.M. Surgical operations by members of the Hospital Staff.

11 A.M. to 12 M. Demonstration of end results.

Dr F.B. Lund;-Cyst of the pancreas, carcinoma of the lesser curvature of the stomach, sarcoma of the femur, traumatic aneurysm

Dr F.J. Cotton;- Three cases of artificial impaction, two cases of joint irrigation, a case of joint stoma, cases of Colles fracture, four cases of astragalus lesion.

Dr J.C. Hubbard;- Appendecostomy for enteric haemorrhage

Dr H. Binney;- Open reduction of fracture neck of humerus, bronchiectasis treated by artificial pneumothorax.

Dr F.H. Lahey ;- End results of a series of plastics.

Dr H.B. Loder;- Carcinoma of the stomach.

Dr I.J. Walker;- Rider embolus of the aorta.

Dr W.R. Morrison;- A case of gall stones in both right and left hepatic ducts, high intestinal obstruction due to partial enterocele of the jejunum, chronic cholecystitis with cholelithiasis.

12 M. General fracture visit.

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Fifty-fifth Meeting.

Record of the fifty-fifth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, February 4, 1924 at 8.15 P.M. at the Harvard Club of Boston.

There were present Doctors Allison, Balch, Briggs, Chute, Cotton, Hubbard, Goldthwaite, Hartwell, Lovett, Lund, C.G. Mixter, W.J. Mixter, O'Neil, Osgood, Painter, Richardson, Simmons, Soutter, Stone, Whittemore, Binney and Leland. Dr George Cutler was present as a guest.

The records of the previous meeting were read and, after correction, approved.

The papers of the evening were then presented.

Dr Nathaniel Allison read a paper on Surgery of the Knee Joint which which was discussed by Drs Goldthwaite and Osgood.

Dr R.F.O'Neil presented a paper on Ectopic Kidney, reporting two personal cases. In the discussion both Dr Chute nad Dr Cutler reported cases.

Dr George Cutler, by invitation, in the absence of Dr Stone, presented a paper on Idiopathic Peritonitis reporting a series of cases observed at the Childrens Hospital studied by Dr Stone and himself. The paper was discussed by Drs Balch and Lund.

The meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Fleming C Simmons

Secretary.

FIFTY*SIXTH MEETING.

Record of the fifty-sixth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held at the Collis P. Huntington Memorial Hospital on Monday March 3, 1924.

There were present Doctors Crockett, Cobb, Warren (Honorary Member), Lothrop, Bottomley, Howe (Senior Member), Binney, Miller, Scudder (Senior Member) Quimby, Loder, Cheever, Lund, Brackett, Brewster, Mahoney, Greenough, Lahey, Homans, Briggs, Leland, and Simmons.

The following program demonstrating the clinical work of the Collis P. Huntington Hospital, and the research work being carried on the the laboratories of the Cancer Commission, was presented. Owing to the unavoidable absence of certain members of the Staff, some of the demonstrations were omitted.

Program.

Dr R.B.Greenough	The Cancer Commission.
Dr William Duane	Deep X-Ray Therapy.
Dr W.T.Bovie	The Laboratory of Biophysics.
Dr G.R.Minot	The Treatment of Myelogenous Leukemia and other Blood Conditions by Radiation.
Dr C.C.Simmons.	Carcinoma of the Buccal Mucosa.
Dr D.C.Greene	Carcinoma of the Antrum.
Dr G.A.Leland Jr.	Carcinoma of the Uterus.
Dr G.G.Smith	Carcinoma of the Genito-Urinary Tract.
Dr E.M.Daland	Carcinoma of the Skin Observations on Patients Treated by Deep X-ray.
Dr L.S.McKittrick	Carcinoma of the Rectum.

Fleming C. Simmons

Secretary.

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FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING.

Record of the fifty-seventh meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held April 7, 1924 at the Harvard Club, Boston.

There wer present Doctors Balch, Bottomley, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chute Codman, Cotton, Davis, Greenough, Homans, Hubbard, Jones, Lahey, Loder, Lothrop, Lund, Mahoney, C.G.Mixter, W.J.Mixter, Miller, O'Neil, Porter, Quimby, Richardson, Vincent, Ladd, Binney, and Leland.

The reading of the records of the previous meeting was omitted.

Dr F.B.Lund presented a paper on "The Treatment of Ulcer of the Pylorus and Lesser Curvature of the Stomach".

Dr H.F.Hewes, by invitation, read a paper on "The Results of Medical and Surgical Treatment of Duodenal Ulcer".

Dr David Cheever discussed the symptomatology and operative results of cases of cancer of the stomach operated upon at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital with especial reference to the occurence of cancer following ulcer, and the late operative results.

Dr Beth Vincent read a paper on "Syphilis of the Stomach".

The papers were discussed by Doctors Codman, Lahey, Jones, Bottomley and Briggs.

Dr E.A.Codman demonstrated a new instrument for cutting ligatues to be called the "Registry of Bone Sarcoma Scissors".

The meeting then adjourned.

Edward P.Richardson.

Secretary pro tem.

Executive Council.

October 3, 1924

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc. was held on October 3, 1924 at the office of Dr. Bottomley.

There were present Drs. Painter, Jones, Homans, Bottomley and Simmons.

On motion of Dr. Jones, duly seconded, the President was empowered to name a Nominative Committee for the coming year and Auditing Committee.

Dr. Bottomley named for Nominating Committee Dr. Balch, Chairman, Drs. Stone, Richardson, Hubbard and Simmons. These men are to nominate a President, Vice-President and Secretary, to serve for two years, and one member of the Executive Council to serve for five years in place of Dr. Davis.

As Auditing Committee the President named Drs. Vincent and Davis.

The Treasurer reported there was $872.00 in the bank as against $794.00 of the corresponding date last year.

On motion of Dr. Painter, duly seconded, it was voted that the Executive Committee recommend that the dues for the coming year be $5.00.

A letter from Dr. Elliott Cutler offering his resignation on account of his removal to Cleveland was presented. On motion of Dr. Jones it was voted that Dr. Cutler's resignation as active member be accepted and that he be made a senior member.

There are two vacancies in the Society and after considerable discussion it was voted that the names of Dr. Arthur W. Allen and Dr. Henry T. Hutchins be recommended to the Society as active members.

The meeting adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

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The programs for the meetings for the coming year were discussed and it was decided to hold the meetings as follows:

November 1924	Clinical meeting, Massachusetts General Hospital.
December 1924	Scientific meeting, Subject, Hernia.
January 1925	Clinical meeting, N. E. Deaconess Hospital.
February 1925	Scientific meeting, Subject, Fractures.
March 1925	Clinical meeting, Eye & Ear Infirmary.
April 1925	Scientific meeting, Subject, Plastic Surgery, Tendon Sutures, Septic Hands.

FIFTY-EIGHTH MEETING.

Record of the fifty-eighth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Nov. 3, 1924 at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

There were present Doctors Allison, Balch, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Cobb, Codman, Cotton, Davis, Greenough, Hartwell, Homans, Jones, Loder, Lothrop, Lund, Mahoney, W . J. Mixter, Miller, O'Neil, Osgood, Porter, Richardson, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, Williams, Whittemore, Ladd, Leland,

The clinical program was as follows:

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Operations by members of the Hospital Staff.

10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Demonstration clinic.

Periarterial Sympathectomy,	Dr. A. W. Allen.
Metastatic Hypernephroma,	Dr. C. A. Porter.
Aneurism. Occlusion of Artery by Metal Bands,	Dr. E. P. Richardson,
Tubercular Colitis,	Dr. Lincoln Davis.
Lung Surgery,	Dr. Wyman Whittemore.
Cancer of the Cervix,	Dr. R. B. Greenough.
Osteogenic Sarcoma,	Dr. C. C. Simmons.
Surgical Conditions of the Blood,	Dr. Beth Vincent.

11.30 a.m. Fracture visits. Dr. D. F. Jones and associates.

Meeting adjourned at 12.30 p.m.

Francis C Lincoln

Secretary.

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FIFTY-NINTH MEETING.

Record of the stated meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, December 1, 1924, at the Harvard Club, Boston.(Annual meeting).

There were present Dr. Bottomley, President; Drs. Porter, Lothrop, Brackett Allison, O'Neil, Briggs, Charles Mixter, Hartwell, Leland, Davis, Cheever, Cotton, Richardson, and Simmons, Secretary. Drs. Howe and Packard, senior members, were also present, and Drs. Milliken and Whittaker as invited guests.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop it was voted that the reading of the records of the previous meeting be omitted.

The President announced that the first business would be the election of officers of the Society and the report of the Nominating Committee was presented. It was as follows:

For President,	Dr. Charles A. Porter
For Vice-President,	Dr. Frederick J. Cotton
For Secretary-Treasurer,	Dr. Channing C. Simmons
For Member of the Executive Council,	Dr. William E. Ladd.

On motion of Dr. O'Neil it was voted that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted and the nomination be closed, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the officers nominated. This was done and the officers were declared elected to serve for two years from Jan. 1, 1925, with the exception of the Member of the Executive Council, who is to serve for five years in place of Dr. Lincoln Davis.

Names of Dr. Arthur W. Allen and Dr. Henry T. Hutchins, who were recommended for active membership by the Executive Council, were presented. These men were voted upon by ballot and received a unanimous vote of the members present.

On motion of Dr. Cotton it was voted that the annual assessment for the year 1925 be five dollars ($5.) as recommended by the Executive Council.

Reports of the Treasurer and Auditing Committee were then read and it was voted that they be accepted. The Treasurer's report showed that there was

$877.82 in the treasury on Dec. 1, 1924 as against $772.05 on Dec. 1, 1923.

The President mentioned the death of Dr. Robert W. Lovett, former president of the Society in June 1923, and on motion of Dr. Porter, duly seconded, the Chair was empowered to appoint a committee to draw up suitable resolutions expressing the regret of the Society on the death of Dr. Lovett. Dr. Bottomley, President, appointed for this committee, Dr. Harvey Cushing, Dr. C. G. Mixter, and Dr. R. B. Osgood.

This completed the business meeting and the following papers were presented:

Dr. Howard A. Lothrop: The Treatment of the More Unfavorable Cases of Inguinal and Femoral Hernia.

Dr. Frederic J. Cotton: Industrial Aspects of Hernia.

Dr. David Cheever: The Choice of Patient and Operation for the Radical Cure of Hernia.

Dr. L. R. Whittaker and Dr. Gibbs Milliken (by invitation): Studies in Biliary Cystography.

The meeting adjourned at 11.00 p.m.

Francis C Simmons

Secretary.

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SIXTIETH MEETING.

Record of the sixtieth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, January 10, 1925, at the New England Deaconess Hospital.

There were present Dr. Porter, President; Drs. Balch, Brackett, Brewster, Cheever, Chute, Codman, Cushing, Graves, Greenough, Homans, Jones, Lahey, Loder, Mahoney, C. G. Mixter, W. J. Mixter, Miller, Quinby, Rushmore, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, Whittemore, Binney, Leland, Allen, Hutchins. Dr. Howe and Dr. Cushing, senior members, were also present.

Surgical operations were performed and a demonstration clinic given by the members of the staff of the Deaconess Hospital. A detailed program is given below:

SURGICAL OPERATIONS.

Dr. Jones,	Carcinoma of the Breast,	8 a.m.
Dr. Jones,	Gall bladder,	10 a.m.
Dr. Jones,	Gall bladder,	11 a.m.
Dr. Lahey,	Thyroid,	8 a.m.
Dr. Lahey,	"	8.45 a.m.
Dr. Lahey,	"	9.30 a.m.
Dr. Lahey,	"	10.15a.m.
Dr. Lahey,	Diverticulum of Duodenum,	11. a.m.
Dr. Lahey,	Thyroid,	12 m.
Dr. Lahey,	"	12.45p.m.
Dr. Lahey,	"	1.30 p.m.
Dr. Lahey,	Inguinal Hernia,	2.15 p.m.

DEMONSTRATION CLINIC.

Dr. Joslin,	The Modern Treatment of Diabetes with Special Reference to Surgery.
Dr. McKittrick,	Diabetes from a Surgical Standpoint.

Dr. Jordan,	Report on a Series of Cases of Gastric Surgery from Dr. Lahey's Clinic.
Dr. Hamilton,	The Thyroid ~~-~~ Cardiac.
Mr. Cattell,	The Iodine-Thyroid Relation.
Dr. Keifer,	The Icterus Index and Blood Bilirubin in Jaundice.

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SIXTY-FIRST MEETING.

Record of the sixty-first meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, February 2, 1925, at the Harvard Club of Boston.

There were present Dr. Porter, President; Drs. Allison, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cotton, Cushing, Greenough, Lahey, Loder, O'Neil, Osgood, Quinby, Richardson, Simmons, Soutter, Whittemore, Binney, Leland, Allen, and, as guests, Mr. Copeland of London, Drs. Wm. L. Davis, Steele, Churchill and Holmes.

Records of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Harvey Cushing, representing his committee, read resolutions drawn up on the death of Dr. Robert W. Lovett. On motion of Dr. Osgood, duly seconded, it was voted that the report of the committee be written in the records and a copy sent to the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal and to Mrs. Lovett.

Robert Williamson Lovett

1859 - 1924

In the passing of Robert Lovett, this Society has lost one of its founders, one of its ex-Presidents, one of its most loyal supporters. Moreover, our profession has lost a devoted servant, the cripple a devoted friend.

Those who have seen Lovett in the wards of the Children's Hospital among his charity patients have possibly known him at his best. His unfailing courtesy to his coworkers and all with whom he came in contact was only exceeded by his patience with and tenderness toward his charges, "All ye loves".

His erect and spare figure, his abundant head of hair, closely cropped and scarcely touched with silver, his appearance of being always well groomed, belied the fact of his years. For these when counted take him back to the relatively early days of orthopoedics - a specialty which may be considered to have attained its adolescence, if it did not actually have its birth, here in Boston.

On his graduation from the Medical School in 1885, he served as a house officer at the City Hospital; and there subsequently, as a member of the surgical staff, he had, until 1899, a long apprenticeship in general surgery before devoting himself exclusively to the special work which particularly appealed to him. He thereby avoided the most dangerous pitfall of specialization, and held always a broad and undistorted view of the relation of his own work to that of general medicine and surgery.

During the twenty-five years which followed, he saw orthopoedics grow from a struggling specialty within surgery to the position of a full-blown, independent department. And the importance of a department is the

best measure we may have of the stature of the man who develops it. In short, it is not the subject but the man who makes a special field of work loom large in his particular day.

By instinct an aristocrat and not a man given over to ready intimacies, those who came to hold Lovett close found him unfailing in that greatest of qualities, loyalty in friendship. Among those friends were many of the leaders of orthopoedic progress in both Europe and America, whatever their school of thought might be. His open mind was not one to be led astray by the professional foibles and questions of the day. He steered a safe course between the Blutung and the Unblutung methods which for long represented the rocks whence thundered the guns of contending factions in orthopoedics. His personal tastes inclined him rather toward the non-operative school and to the study of such difficult problems as are involved in the correction of spinal deformities; but this personal slant by no means colored his clinic nor hampered his junior associates in their predilection for open methods of treatment, many of which were devised and perfected under his encouragement and guidance.

Lovett's contributions to the literature of his subject were many and in later years dealt largely with infantile paralysis. Perhaps of all his writings the two text books in which he collaborated are best known. He was not only a lucid writer but was always an inspiring teacher of undergraduates. And those who after graduation came as pupils to profit by more intimate contact with him could hardly have found a guide or counsellor more considerate or more loyal to their interests.

Though gentleness and patience were qualities essential for his art, beneath his quiet and dignified demeanor lay an enthusiasm easily aroused to undertake and carry through large projects. His training was not such as to take him to the laboratory, and the outlet for his energies lay rather in public service. It was in this spirit that he took over the Chairmanship of the Commission on Infantile Paralysis and organized the work which has led to the recently published volume based on the detailed studies of the epidemics in Vermont. It was in the same spirit that during the war he gave himself over to the training in orthopoedics of medical officers.

That, in his quiet way, he possessed unusual gifts for administration is shown not only by the way these pieces of work were organized and carried through, but also by the perfection of his smoothly running clinic and the conduct of his office practice, for he was a man widely consulted and one whose opinion was cherished.

His qualities made him an ideal faculty colleague. He had a constructive type of mind, yet with a gentle tolerance of ideas which opposed his own. He could see both sides of a question, was most considerate of the feelings of others, spoke no ill, was a stranger to gossip, and had a kindly charity toward the frailties of mankind.

We thus may bring to mind some of the characteristics of the dependable friend and colleague we have lost. The School,his hospital, this Society are not the same without him. But the inspiration of his example remains.

"Men perish but man shall endure; lives die, but the life is not dead."

Aware that he was the victim of advanced arteriosclerosis, he preferred to continue as though personal ill health did not exist. He

had planned to spend the summer abroad with his family. It was apparent on the steamer that he had overtaxed himself and his end was probably near. He had no fears. He died a few days after landing at the home of his devoted friend of many years, the Nestor of orthopoedics in Great Britain.

Robert Lovett was the last of his name; the only son of John Dyson and Mary Williamson Lovett of Beverly, Massachusetts. He is survived by his wife, his married daughter and only child, and her three children. To them in their bereavement the sympathies of the members of this Society are extended while inscribing this memorial note as a minute on the pages of our records.

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The following papers were presented:

Dr. Robert B. Greenough: The Value of Prophylactic X-ray Treatment in Cases of Carcinoma of the Breast.

Dr. Edward D. Churchill (by invitation); Massive Collapse of the Lung.

There was considerable discussion of both papers by members of the Society and the invited guests.

Francis C. Sullivan

Secretary.

SIXTY-SECOND MEETING

Record of the sixty-second meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, March 2, 1925, at 10.00 a.m., at the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

There were present Dr. Porter, President; Drs. Brewster, Briggs, Codman, Crockett, Davis, Greenough, Jones, Quinby, Richardson, Rushmore, Simmons, Stone, Leland, and Hutchins.

A demonstration clinic and short talks were given by members of the staff of the institution. Unfortunately, as the wards were in quarantine it was impossible to present an operative clinic.

The following is the program presented:

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Departments

Dr. G. S. Derby,	Glaucoma.
Dr. Macmillan,	1. X-rays of Thymus. 2. Lantern slides of Arthritic Exostosis causing oesophageal obstruction. 3. X-rays of other oesophageal cases.
Dr. Greene,	1. X-ray signs of a partially obstructed Bronchus, - completely obstructed Bronchus. 2. Thyrotomy under Novocaine.
Dr. Mosher and Dr. Rothwell,	1. Case of Moure Operation with Exenteration of Orbit.
Dr. Garland,	1. Tumor of Antrum.
Dr. Kazanjian,	1. Otoplastic cases.
Dr. Porter,	1. Cerebellar Abscess (1 case). 2. Mastoiditis, Sinus Thrombosis Septicemia (2 cases). 3. Mastoiditis, Sinus Thrombosis Meningitis (1 case).
Dr. Tobey,	1. Demonstration of Post-Operative Mastoids.

Francis S. Simmons

Secretary.

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SIXTY-THIRD MEETING

Record of the sixty-third meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, April 6, 1925 at 8:15 P.M. at the Harvard Club of Boston.

There were present: Drs. Balch, Brewster, Codman, Cotton, Davis, Greenough, Hartwell, Homans, Hubbard, Loder, Lund, Mahoney, C.G.Mixter, W. J. Mixter, O'Neil, Osgood, Porter, Richardson, Rushmore, Stone, Whittemore, Ladd, Binney, Leland, Allen, Hutchins, and Simmons, Secretary.

Dr. Smith-Petersen, L.B. Morrison, H. K. Sowles, George W. Holmes and Dr. Dresser were present by invitation.

On motion of Dr. Brewster duly seconded the reading of the minutes of the last meeting were omitted.

The secretary reported that the resulutions adopted by the Society on the death of Dr. Robert W. Lovett at its February meeting were published in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal and a copy sent to Mrs. Lovett. Her letter of acknowledgement was read.

"Feb. 22nd

My dear Dr. Simmons

Will you be kind enough to convey to the Boston Surgical Society our deep appreciation of the resolutions passed by them on the death of my husband.

No words of mine can adequately express our heartfelt gratitude for this sympathy and it will always be a comfort to me to realize how fully my husband was appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth M. Lovett "

The secretary called attention to the fact that certain of the members have not paid the dues for the ensuing year.

The papers of the evening were then presented and were as follows:

Dr. C. A. Porter: Aneurysm of the Larger Arteries Observed at the Massachusetts General Hospital in the past Fifty Years.

Discussion by Dr. F. B. Lund, Dr. E.P.Richardson, and Dr. John Homans.

Dr. Smith-Petersen and Dr. L.B.Morrison (by invitation): Facts and Fancies about Backs.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M. Fleming C. Simmons

Secretary.

REGISTRY OF BONE SARCOMA

On Friday, June 12, 1925, at 4:30 P.M., Dr. Codman demonstrated at the Warren Museum of the Harvard Medical School all the cases of bone sarcoma in the Registry. The histories of all the cases, the x-rays and microscopic sections were available and in many instances the gross specimen was also on exhibition.

This demonstration was given jointly to the members of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., the Boston Orthopedic Club, and the New England Roentgen Ray Society. There was an attendance of about forty at the demonstration.

E. C. Simmons

Secretary.

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, was held on October 9, 1925, at the office of Dr. C. A. Porter.

There were present: Drs. Porter, Cotton, Jones, Hubbard, Bottomly and Simmons.

On motion of Dr. Hubbard duly seconded it was voted that the President appoint a Nominating and an Auditing Committee.

Dr. Porter named for Nominating Committee Drs. Hubbard and Davis, and for Auditing Committee, Drs. Davis and Codman.

The Treasurer reported that on October 1st there was $969.23 in the bank as against $871.18 on a corresponding date last year.

On motion of Dr. Bottomly duly seconded it was voted that the Executive Council recommend that the dues for the coming year be $5.00.

A communication from the Boston Orthopedic Club was presented in which they wish to combine with the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., and invite Dr. Gallie of Toronto to present a paper at a joint meeting, the expenses of Dr. Gallie to be met by the two societies. There was considerable discussion but the concensus of opinion was that it would be a desirable thing to do.

Drs. Balch, Goldthwait and Thorndike have requested that they be made senior members and on motion of Dr. Simmons duly seconded it was voted that the names of Drs. Balch, Goldthwait and Thorndike be placed on the senior list.

There was some discussion as to the election of new members to fill the vacancies made by the resignations of Drs. Balch, Goldthwait and Thorndike. On motion of Dr. Cotton duly seconded it was voted that Dr. Robert C. Cochrane, Dr. Archibald McK. Frazer and Dr. Edward L. Young be recommended to the Society for election.

The subject of awarding the Bigelow Medal was then taken up. It was thought best that there should be an award during the coming year. It was suggested that the members of the Council confer with the previous officers of the Society as to the most suitable person to receive the medal and report at a future meeting.

Secretary.

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SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING

Record of the sixty-fourth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, November 2, 1925, at 10:00 A.M., at the Carney Hospital, So. Boston.

There were present: Drs. Bottomley, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cotton, Davis, Greenough, Homans, Mahoney, W. J. Mixter, Miller, Porter, Richardson, Rushmore, Binney, Leland, Hutchins, and Simmons, Secretary. Many members of the Staff of the Carney Hospital and several visitors also attended the meeting.

Cases illustrating the results of operations were shown and several operations were performed for the Society by members of the Staff.

The program presented was as follows:

Dr. W. L. Johnson - Radium treatment of uterine fibroma. Demonstration of application and report of 17 cases.

Dr. Phaneuf - LeFort operation for procidentia of uterus.

Dr. Brown - Demonstration of splints and dressings.

Dr. A. McK.Frazer - A case of gas bacillus infection with secondary suture.

Dr.J.T.Bottomly - Demonstration and end results of operation on two cases of carcinoma of the breast and two cases of infectious colitis treated by coecostomy in which the symptoms were very suggestive of malignant disease.

Dr. Wickham - Report on a case of torsion of the spleen.

Dr. A.R.MacAusland Astragalectomy.

Dr. W.R.MacAusland Motion picture demonstration of operations of arthroplasty on the knee and elbow with the end results of similar operations showing the amount of motion obtained.

Fleming C. Simmons
Secretary.

SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING

SPECIAL MEETING

Record of the sixty-fifth, special meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Thursday, December 3rd, in conjunction with the Boston Orthopedic Club at the Harvard Club of Boston.

There were present: Drs. Allison, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Codman, Cotton, Cushing, Greenough, Homans, Jones, Loder, Lund, Miller, O'Neil, Osgood, Painter, Porter, Richardson, Rushmore, Soutter, Stone, Leland, Allen, Hutchins, Simmons and Dr. Moritzi of Cordova, Argentine, as the guest of Dr. Harvey Cushing. The Boston Orthopedic Club were well represented and had many guests. The attendance of the entire meeting was about eighty.

Dr. W. Edward Gallie of Toronto by invitation, presented a paper on "Transplants of Fibrous Tissue in the Repair of Anatomical Defects." He went at length into the use of strips of living suture material, such as fascia lata, in the repair of various forms of herniae and other defects, and in the repair of ruptured quadriceps tendons. He also employs it in many other conditions where strong suture material is needed, rather than scar tissue which is apt to stretch. Experimentally, this tissue has been proved to live and not to be absorbed as is the usual animal tendon suture material.

The discussion was opened by Dr. Nathaniel Allison and Dr. Daniel Fiske Jones. Drs. Soutter, Osgood, Wilson, Harvey Cushing, Smith-Petersen and John Homans also took part in the discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Fleming C. Simmons
Secretary.

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SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING

Record of the stated meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, December 7, 1925, at the office of the President, Dr. C. A. Porter, 116 Beacon St., Boston. (Annual Meeting).

There were present: Drs. Porter, President; Cheever, Chute, Cushing, Davis, Graves, Greenough, Bottomley, Brewster, Jones, Lothrop, Lund, Painter, Richardson, and Simmons, Secretary.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop, duly seconded, it was voted that the reading of the records of the last meeting be omitted.

The President announced that the first business would be the election of the officers of the Society.

The Nominating Committee presented the name of Dr. Richard H. Miller for member of the Executive Council to serve for five years from January 1, 1926, in place of Dr. J. C. Hubbard whose term of service has expired.

On motion of Dr. Lund, duly seconded, it was voted that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted, the nominations be closed, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for Dr. Miller. This was done and Dr. Miller was declared elected.

The names of Dr. Robert C. Cochrane, Dr. Archibald McK. Frazer and Dr. Edward L. Young were recommended for election to active membership by the Executive Council. These men were voted upon, received a unanimous vote of the members present and were declared elected.

Dr. Porter announced that the names of Dr. F. G. Balch, Dr. J. E. Goldthwait and Dr. Paul Thorndike, at their own request, had been placed on the list of senior members by the Executive Council.

On motion of Dr. Cotton, duly seconded, it was voted that the annual assessment for the year 1926 be five dollars ($5.00) as recommended by the Executive Council.

The reports of the Treasurer and Auditing Committee were then read and on motion of Dr. Greenough, duly seconded, it was voted that they be accepted.

The Treasurer's report showed that there was $975.90 in the treasury on December 1, 1925, as against $877.82 on December 1, 1924. The New England Trust Company held as accrued interest for the Bigelow Medal Fund on September 28, 1925, the sum of $1,604.54.

There was some discussion as to the advisability of awarding the Bigelow Medal in the coming year, and on motion of Dr. Greenough, duly seconded, it was voted that an award of the Bigelow Medal be made in the Fall of 1926, when the American College of Surgeons hold their meeting in this city, to some suitable person.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

Francis C. Simmons
Secretary.

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SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING

Record of the sixty-seventh meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, January 4th, at 10:00 A.M. at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. 1926

There were present: Drs. Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Cobb, Codman, Crockett, Cushing, Graves, Greenough, Homans, Hubbard, Loder, Mahoney, Osgood, Quinby, Richardson, Rushmore, Vincent, Leland, Cochrane, Simmons, Secretary and Drs. Cushing and Scudder, Senior Members.

Cases were presented as follows:

Dr. Homans - A case of intussusception of the small bowel with marked visceroptosis. The tumor was easily reduced and the patient made an uneventful recovery.

An obscure case of a spastic condition of the cecum for which the appendix was removed without relief and peculiar bodies were noticed in the stools which suggested amoeba although they were not characteristic. Treatment by emetin was followed by improvement.

Dr. Cushing- Demonstrated two cases of dural endothelioma. The first was a small tumor of the spinal cord in the ninth dorsal region which caused severe pressure symptoms. Relief of symptoms followed very shortly after removal of the tumor.

The second case was that of a very large dural endothelioma of the right frontal region in which it was necessary to close the opening between the brain and the frontal sinus with a fascial transplant.

Dr. Cushing showed a third case - a child with meningoblastoma. These tumors originate in the floor of the fourth ventral, are usually multiple and diffuse. The prognosis is bad. The patient has been well since the first operation five years ago until recently. There is now evidence of another intracranial tumor.

Operations were performed for the Society as follows:

Dr. Quinby - Suprapubic prostatectomy.
Dr. Cushing- Cerebella exploration.
Dr. Homans - Cholecystectomy.
Dr. Cheever- Exploration of the common duct.
Dr. Cheever- Plastic operation.

Thomas C. Simmons

Secretary.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Record of a meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgicla Society, Inc., held at the office of Dr. Charles A. Porter, 116 Beacon St., Boston, on Tuesday, January 12th, at 5:00 P.M. 1926

There were present: Drs. Porter, Cotton, Painter, Miller and Simmons.

On Motion of Dr. Miller, duly seconded, it was voted that Drs. Lund and Mahoney be appointed a committee of two to draw up a suitable resolutions on the death of Dr. Bottomley; these resolutions to be presented and acted upon at the February meeting of the Society.

There was a general discussion as to the award of the Bigelow Medal. It was agreed by the members present that Dr. Rudolph Matas would be a suitable recipient. Dr. Porter was instructed to confer with Dr. Monks and Bigelow to learn their views in the matter. He was also to inquire as to whether they felt the award should be given to a foreigner and as to the possibility of making two awards, one to an American and one to a foreigner at the same meeting.

On motion of Dr. Painter, duly seconded, it was voted that a chair be authorized to appoint a committee of three to make arrangements for the meeting at which the medal will be awarded.

The attendances at the meetings of the Society were discussed and it was suggested that the President talk personally with Drs. Brackett, Newell, Mosher and Williams relative to their becoming senior members thru creating vacancies to be filled by some of the younger surgeons. The Secretary was instructed to call attention to certain of the younger men who have not been regular in their attendance to the fact that they may be expelled from the Society.

Fanning C. Simmons

Secretary

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SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

Record of the sixty-eighth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, February 1, 1926, at the Harvard Club of Boston at 8:15 P.M.

There were present: Drs. Brackett, Briggs, Cotton, Davis, Greenough, Homans, Hubbard, Mahoney, Mixter, C.G., Mixter, W.J., Mosher, Miller, O'Neil, Porter, Richardson, Simmons, Soutter, Stone, Binney, Leland, Hutchins, Frazer, Young. Senior members, Drs. Balch and Johnson. Guests, Drs. Wolbach, Mueller, Aub, Minot, Taylor, Dalland, McKittrick, Rogers, Meigs, Shedden, and Hayden.

On motion of Dr. Greenough, duly seconded, it was voted that the readings of the records of the last meeting be omitted.

Dr. Mahoney, representing the committee appointed by the Executive Council, consisting of Drs. Lund and Mahoney, presented resolutions drawn up on the death of Dr. John T. Bottomley. On motion of Dr. Homans, duly seconded, it was voted that the resolutions be accepted, written into the records, and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Bottomley.

The following papers were presented:

Dr. S. Burt Wolbach (by invitation): Possible Evidence of a Cancerous Diathesis.

Dr. J. Howard Mueller (by invitation): A Review of Gye's Work on Cancer.

Dr. Robert B. Greenough:-Recent Progress in Cancer Research.

The discussion was opened by Dr. Aub and several interesting points on recent research work on cancer were brought up.

On motion of Dr. Simmons, duly seconded, the President was authorized to appoint a committee to draw up resolutions to be adopted by the Society on the death of Dr. Samuel J. Mixter.

Dr. Homans in conclusion suggested that a report be made at a future meeting of the results of the investigation now under way as to the cause of cancer particularly the work of Dr. Gye and Dr. Adair Bell.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Fleming C. Simmons

Secretary

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED by the BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY, INC.,

on the DEATH of DR. JOHN T. BOTTOMLEY

The death of Dr. John Taylor Bottomley, so recently our president, has left a gap in the Boston Surgical Society which it seems impossible to fill. Strong, active, enthusiastic and sane, gentle, kindly, and full of the best sort of fun, he embodied and strove in every way to support the highest ideals of his profession throughout the country, and was welcomed at their meetings both for his contributions to serious discussion and for his geniality and kindliness. Every one was glad to see him, for he brought out the best in those he met. He was a ceaseless worker in his calling, and active in out-door sports with his children. His labors began too often at dawn and lasted far into the night. He was most generous in his services to the poor. He labored beyond his strength, and, with his unusual physique, it seems not improbable that, had it not been for his active and indomitable spirit, his life might have been prolonged for many years. But he was as he was, could not do otherwise, and died with his boots on, so to speak, in the midst of the most active and effective period of his life.

At the City Hospital, while he was there, he was a marked man on account of his energy, interest in his work and sympathetic care of his patients. In his early years there, he established and managed, as few others could have done, the Haymarket Square Relief Station. When He was called to the Carney Hospital, in association with one of the most skilfull surgeons and finest characters in our profession, the late Dr. John C. Munro, he continued his work to the greatest benefit of that institution, and with Dr. Munro established the reputation of that hospital throughout New England and the country. His loyalty and respect for his chief of service was one of the best things about him. On the death of Dr. Munro, he succeeded him as chief of service. He was consulting surgeon to many hospitals in New England, a member of the American Surgical Association, Secretary of the Society of Clinical Surgery, active in the counsels of the American College of Sur-

geons, Chairman of the Surgical Section of the American Medical Association, etc.

In the Spanish War he went to Cuba on the Hospital Ship "Bay State", and in the World War gave his time and strength freely to his country in the hard and trying work that had to be done at home.

To his family, he was a devoted husband and father. He was a lover and collector of rare books and engravings. He was deeply religious and never neglected his duties and obligations in connection with his church, which at his death honored him as few physicians are honored. The eulogy pronounced at his funeral by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor M. J. Splaine, D. D., was one of the finest tributes that a man could wish to have, and he earned it, every word. His friends were legion, and few there were that knew him whose faces would not light up at the mention of his name.

RESOLVED: That the Boston Surgical Society by these resolutions attempt (however inadequately) to express to the family and friends of Dr. John Taylor Bottomley their deep sense of loss at the death of one of their most honored and beloved members, and to hope that a knowledge of their deep and heartfelt sympathy may add to the pride which they justly feel in his memory and alleviate in some degree, (however slight), their overwhelming sense of loss.

SIXTY-NINTH MEETING

Record of the sixty-ninth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held on Monday, March 1, 1926, at the Childrens Hospital.

There were present: Drs. Osgood, Ladd, Cobb, Stone, Mixter, C.G., Mixter, W.J., Porter, Brewster, Soutter, Quimby, Jones, Davis, O'neil, Whittemore, Painter, Cotton, Chute, Mahoney, Allen, Miller, Rushmore, Briggs, Leland, Richardson, Loder, Crockett, Frazier, Homans, Harvey Cushing, Simmons, as well as several senior members and guests.

The following program was presented by the members of the staff of the hospital.

Operation by Dr. Frank R. Ober for reconstruction of hip joint after pathological dislocation.

Dr. Soutter - Discussion of Congenital dislocation of hip with demonstration of cases, calling attention particularly to the Acetabulum.

Drs. Osgood and Soutter - Discussion of Acute and Chronic Osteomyelitis with particular attention to the growth of bone.

Dr. G. D. Cutler - Discussion of Pyloric Stenosis with demonstration of case.

Dr. A. Thorndike, Jr. - A complete left sided pneumothorax following empyema.

Drs. L. W. Smith and J. S. Stone - Endothelioma of the fascia of the leg with demonstration of specimen. Splenectomy for anemia with demonstration of case.

Dr. J. S Stone - A hemolytic streptococcus infection of the joints with demonstration of the case.

Dr. Wm. E. Ladd - Case of omental cyst with demonstration of specimen. Case of Angioma of face with parotid ligation. Case of accidental lumbar puncture with a pair of scissors.

Dr. C. G. Mixter - The Surgical significance of pyuria in children with a discussion of the common causes of obstruction.

Dr. Milliken - A discussion of Arthritis with demonstration of cases with particular reference to intestinal origin.

Dr. Osgood - Demonstration of cases of spinal fusion and of erasion of the knee for Tuberculosis.

(signed) James S. Stone

Secretary pro tem

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SEVENTIETH MEETING

Record of the Seventieth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, April 5, 1926 at the St. Botolph Club, Boston, at 8:15 p.m.

There were present: Drs. Allison, Brackett, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Cotton, Cushing, Davis, Jones, Loder, Lund, Mahoney, Mixter, Mixter W.J., Mosher, Miller, Osgood, Richardson, Rushmore, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, Whittemore, Ladd, Binney, Leland, Allen, and Frazer. There were also present, as guests: Drs. Grant of Philadelphia, Magrath, J. J. Thomas, M. C. Sosman, Donald Munroe, H. P. Cahill, Gilbert Horrax, J. S. Hodgson and J. D. Ayer and five graduate students who were introduced by Dr. Mosher.

The reading of the records of the previous meeting were omitted.

Dr. Brewster presented resolutions on the death of Dr. S. J. Mixter which had been drawn up by a committee appointed by Dr. Porter. On motion of Dr. Ladd, duly seconded, it was voted that the resolutions presented by the committee be accepted and written into the records. (see following pages)

The following papers were then presented:

Dr. Harvey Cushing: The Present Status of Brain Tumor Surgery.

Dr. John Jenks Thomas (by invitation): Diagnosis and Treatment of Traumatic Lesions of the Brain.

Dr. J. B. Magrath (by invitation): Traumatic and Other Forms of Intracranial Haemorrhage.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Fleming C Simmons

Secretary

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY, INC.

on the DEATH of DR. SAMUEL JASON MIXTER

Samuel Jason Mixter was born in Hardwick, Massachusetts, on the 10th of May, 1855. His father, William Mixter, and his mother, Mary Ruggles Mixter, were both of old New England stock. He died after a brief illness of pneumonia at Grand Junction, Tennessee, on January 19th, 1926.

His boyhood was chiefly spent at Hardwick and at school in Amherst, Mass. He entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where his natural tastes led him to specialize in physics, and later, after graduation, to undertake the study of medicine, a course in which he received little parental encouragement. He graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1879, completing his course as West Surgical House Officer at the Massachusetts General Hospital in the same year. In 1879 as well, on August 12th, came the fortunate event of his life, his marriage to Wilhelmina Galloupe.

This was followed by a year in Vienna, where his interest was keenly stimulated in anatomical studies and by the developing microscopic pathology. On his return to Boston his work in microscopy and anatomy were continued. In 1882 he became Assistant Demonstrator and in 1887 Demonstrator of Anatomy at the Harvard Medical School. His enthusiasm was infectious to students and drove him to continuous activity, to the painstaking care and thoroughness of which his beautiful corrosion specimens in the Warren Museum still bear witness. His teaching later swung to operative surgery, a field which gave further scope to his great mechanical ingenuity.

Thus, from the first, his tastes and training led him to surgery, where his ability and special aptitude resulted in rapid progress. Appointed to the Surgical Service of the Carney Hospital in 1880, and Surgeon to the Out Patient Department of the Massachusetts General Hospital in 1886, he became successively Surgeon to the Carney Hospital, resigning in 1897, Visiting Surgeon to the Massachusetts General Hospital in 1893, Chief of the West

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Surgical Service in 1911, resigning at the age of sixty in 1919.

From his background and the character of his training some inkling as to the nature of his surgery may be derived. Brought up on a sound anatomical foundation before the era of specialization, in the beginning of antisepsis, when the shadow of infection threatened, his training had a breadth and a respect for surgical dangers now vanishing. To this he added great mechanical ingenuity and a keen conservative judgment. His operating was marked by simplicity and directness, qualities which can only come from thorough anatomical knowledge, great skill and a keen appreciation of essentials. His sense of mechanical fitness made him dislike cumbersome instruments and technique. Intellectual honesty caused him to be impatient of shams and pretences, and of an unbalanced interest in percentage figures of operative mortality. Sound judgment, sure and rapid operating, complete lack of mercenary traits, entire self-forgetfulness in the interest of his patients, were qualities which begat confidence in the minds of practitioners and laity alike.

In surgery his resourcefulness and ability to cope with the difficult and unusual attracted him to neglected fields. From this came his contribution to the surgery of the oesophagus and of the central nervous system, advances which stand out among others he added to the rapidly developing science of surgery. His contributions to operative technique, unfortunately will be known chiefly by tradition; in the fertility of his invention they seemed to him hardly worthy of record. It is only natural and fitting, therefore, that he should have been chosen President of the American Surgical Association in 1917, and that the New England Surgical Society should have turned to him for its first President.

Success in a profession is in itself an accomplishment which the world stands ready to honor. Dr. Samuel Jason Mixter's eminence in surgery needs

no comment or support; it is a fact grown so familiar that we can as yet be scarcely conscious of the gap left by his death. But although accomplishment in surgery should be duly honored, it is not for that reason alone that we delight in the memory of Dr. Mixter. We are led rather to think of the personality and character that lay behind it. To his numerous friends he seemed the personification of kindly hospitality, so open-hearted and genuine that it spread an irresistible warmth. It is pleasant to remember the true cordialty with which he was received at meetings of the American Surgical and Southern Surgical Associations. Some of us may think of the generous sportsman, forgetful of his own sport in the interest of sharing it with others, or of mornings during fishing trips spent actually holding impromptu clinics for the families of guides and natives, to be followed by minor operating on teeth and tonsils. Generosity, loyalty, affection, and interest in others, stood out in all his dealings. These same qualities shone most clearly during the War, and his sentiments of patriotism and of indignation against wrong were strikingly expressed in his Presidential Address before the American Surgical Association. One of the first men to join the Medical Reserve Corps at the time of its organization, he hastened to undertake active duty.

Through all this active and useful life there runs the support of an harmonious family relationship. In later years after retirement from active practice, it was natural that his interest should have turned increasingly to the scenes of his childhood in Hardwick, to his magnificent herd of Guernsey cattle there, and to the outdoor sports he so much loved. It seemed a fitting and peaceful conclusion to a full life. But the death of Mrs. Mixter left a void which his cheerfulness could not conceal.

To have contributed actively to surgery, to have held rightly the confidence of patient and of physician, to have stimulated warm friendships, to have served his country well, and to leave worthy successors, is it not enough?

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The Boston Surgical Society joins in expressing its regret at his death, and in conveying its sympathy to the members of his family.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, was held on October 4, 1926 at the office of Dr. C. A. Porter.

There were present: Drs. Porter, Cotton, Ladd, Homans, Painter and Simmons.

On motion of Dr. Cotton, duly seconded, it was voted that the President appoint an Auditing and a Nominating Committee.

Dr. Porter named for the Nominating Committee Drs. Osgood, Cheever and Davis and for the Auditing Committee Drs. Davis and A. W. Allen.

The Treasurer reported that on October 1st there was in the bank $1016.85 as compared with $969.23 on a corresponding date last year.

On motion of Dr. Ladd, duly seconded, it was voted that the Executive Council recommend that the dues for the coming year be $5.00.

Drs. Codman, Crockett, Lothrop, Mosher and Newell have signified their desire to be made senior members and on motion of Dr. Homans, duly seconded, it was voted that their names be placed on the list of Senior members.

There was c onsiderable discussion as to the election of new members to fill the vacancies. It was finally decided that the names of Drs. George D. Cutler, Ernest M. Daland, Somers Fraser, Otto J. Hermann, Gilbert Horax, and Frank R. Ober be recommended to the Society for election as active members.

The arrangements for the meeting for the coming award of the Bigelow Medal to Dr. Rudolph Matas were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Channing C. Simmons

Secretary

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SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING

Record of the seventy-first meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, November 1st at 10:00 a.m. at the Mass. General Hospital. 26

There were present: Drs. Allison, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Codman, Cotton, Davis, Greenough, Hartwell, Homans, Hubbard, Jones, Loder, W.J.Mixter, Miller, O'Neil, Osgood, Porter, Richardson, Rushmore, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, Whittemore, Leland, Allen, Hutchins, Young and Mr. Archibald Young of Edinborough.

The following program was presented by the staff of the hospital:

Dr. J. V. Meigs -	Adeno-myoma
Dr. M. A. McIver -	New Factors in the regulation of Gastric Acidity
Dr. J. C. White -	Tissue and Blood Chlorides in Intestinal Obstruction
Dr. E. P. Richardson -	Sympathectomy for Angina

DEMONSTRATION OF CASES

Dr. Nathaniel Allison -	1. Kummel's Disease 2. Osteomyelitis
Dr. Beth Vincent	Von Recklinghausen's Disease
Dr. Lincoln Davis	Fibro-sarcoma of Thigh

Operations by Members of the Staff

In the evening a special meeting was held at Huntington Hall, Rogers Building, 491 Boylston St., Boston, at 8:30 p.m. This was the occasion of the third award of the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal. The recipient of the medal, Dr. Rudolph Matas, professor of surgery at Tulane, New Orleans, was introduced by Dr. C. A. Porter, President of the Society. Dr. Matas gave an address on the "Spirit and Art of Surgery". Dr. Harvey Cushing made the presentation with an appropriate speech.

(The address is published in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal vol page November 1926.)

Fleming C. Simmons

Secretary

The Boston Surgical Society
requests the honour of your presence on the occasion of
The Third Award of the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal
on Monday, November first, at 8.30 p.m.
in Huntington Hall, Rogers Building, 491 Boylston St., Boston

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Dr. Rudolph Matas will give an address entitled
The Spirit and Art of Surgery

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SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

Record of the meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, December 6, 1926, at 8:15 p.m. at the St. Botolph Club, Boston. This was the Annual Meeting.

There were present: Drs. Porter, President; Allison, Briggs, Chute, Cotton, Graves, Greenough, Hartwell, Hubbard, Jones, Lund, C.G.Mixter, Mosher, O'Neil, Osgood, Rushmore, Soutter, Stone, Whittemore, Binney, Allen, Cochrane and Simmons, Secretary. Senior members: Balch, Cushing, Howe, and Scudder. Honorary member: Dr. Frederick W. Johnson. Guests: Drs. Shaw, Holmes, Sosman and Smith.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved. The reports of the Treasurer and Auditing Committee were then read and on motion of Dr. Lund, duly seconded, were approved.

The Treasurer's report showed there was a balance on November 30, 1926, of $1,017.92 as against $975.90 on December 1, 1925. The third award of the Bigelow Medal cost $442.61, and there now remains unexpended in the Bigelow Medal Fund $1,403.34.

The Nominating Committee presented the names of the following men for election as officers of the Society:

For President	-	Dr. Joshua C. Hubbard
" Vice President	-	Dr. William P. Graves
" Secretary and Treasurer	-	Dr. William C. Quinby
" Member of the Executive Council	-	Dr. Channing C. Simmons.

On motion of Dr. Whittemore, duly seconded, it was voted that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for or against these men. This was done and the men, recommended by the Nominating Committee, were declared elected.

On motion of Dr. Cotton, duly seconded, it was voted that the Annual dues for the year 1927 be $5.00.

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The names of Drs. George D. Cutler, Ernest M. Daland, Somers Fraser, Otto J. Hermann, Gilbert Horrax and Frank R. Ober were recommended for election to active membership by the Executive Council. These men were voted upon by ballot and were declared elected, having received more than two-thirds affirmative vote of the members present. 1924

Dr. Porter announced that Drs. Crockett, Codman, Lothrop, Mosher and Newell had signified their desire to become senior members and that their names had been placed on that list.

Dr. Porter read a letter from Dr. George H. Monks giving the history of the founding of the Bigelow Medal, and on motion of Dr. Hubbard, duly seconded, it was ordered that this letter be incorporated in the records. (See following pages.)

Dr. Lund, who is President of the Medical Historical Society, stated that they were to have an anniversary meeting in the spring of 1927 and suggested that the Boston Surgical Society cooperate with them in order to make the meeting a success. No definite vote was taken but it was suggested that the matter be discussed further at the next meeting.

The following papers were then presented:

Dr. Harris P. Mosher - An X-Ray Study of the Movements of the Tongue, the Epiglottis, and the Hyoid Bone in Swallowing; followed by a discussion of the Difficulty in Swallowing Caused by Retropharyngeal Diverticula, Post Cricoid Webs, and Exostoses of the Cervical Vertebrae.

Dr. William P. Graves - The Use of Radium in Non-malignant Gynaecologic Diseases.

Dr. Wyman Whittemore - The Treatment of Septic Conditions of the Lungs.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Channing C. Simmons

Secretary.

HISTORY OF THE HENRY JACOB BIGELOW GOLD MEDAL

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December 2, 1926.

"Dear Dr. Porter:

"In accordance with your request, I am sending to you a few of the details concerning the early history of the

HENRY JACOB BIGELOW GOLD MEDAL

which medal is awarded from time to time by

THE BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY

for 'Contributions to the Advancement of Surgery'.

"Some years ago, during my active membership in the Society, the thought came to me that it would be most desirable in some way to associate the name of Dr. Henry J. Bigelow,---- a name which has always meant so very much to the surgeons of Boston,---- with the Boston Surgical Society; and, further consideration suggested to me that, if the Society could from time to time make an award, bearing Dr. Bigelow's name, it would be a permanent means of honoring his memory, and would also be of advantage to the Society.

"In considering what form this award should take, the idea of a medal came to me; and at an early opportunity I spoke to Dr. William Sturgis Bigelow, the son of Dr. Henry J. Bigelow, telling him of my idea of associating his father's name with the Boston Surgical Society by means of a medal,' to be awarded from time to time to surgeons who had rendered conspicuous services to surgery.

"The thought evidently pleased him, for he at once volunteered to furnish the funds necessary for that purpose.

"This whole situation was put before the Society at its meeting on March 1, 1915; and, after careful consideration, it was voted to accept

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Dr. Bigelow's generous offer, and the Society thus undertook to assume the stewardship of the medal.

"After thorough investigation, Mr. Victor Brenner of New York, a sculptor and medallist of wide repute, was asked to furnish designs for the proposed medal, and in due time these designs were submitted to Dr. Bigelow, who kindly asked me to consult with him concerning them. After a few suggested changes had been made, the designs met with the entire approval of Dr. Bigelow and myself; and we both had the satisfaction of feeling that from this time on Dr. Bigelow's memory would be fittingly preserved in the form of a beautiful gold medal, the award of which would be vested in a Society, fully competent to make the proper selection.

"From these designs molds were made, and from these again the metal dies, which were deposited at the United States Mint in Philadelphia, where the medals already awarded, three in number, had been struck."

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) George H. Monks.

SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING

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Record of the seventy-third meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, January 17th, at 10 a.m. at the Boston City Hospital.

There were present: Drs. Allen, Binney, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cotton, Cutler, Somers Fraser, Graves, Homans, Hubbard, Hutchins, Ladd, Leland, Loder, Mahoney, Miller, Osgood, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, and Simmons, active members; and Drs. Blake and Lothrop, senior members.

The following program was presented by the staff of the hospital:

Dr. F. J. Cotton

(a) Non-union Humerus. "Rabbetted" fitting of resected bone-ends; transfixion screw; union.
(b) Comminuted Fracture Humerus. Non-operative treatment; traction and molding; result.
(c) Posterior Luxation of Shoulder, recurrent. Capsular reefing with advancement of subscapularis tendon.
(d) Old Scar of Arm tying up Tendons. Preliminary two-stage flap graft from abdomen to area from which scar was dissected. Later a plastic job under cover of the new tissue.
(e) Arthroplasty at elbow in a joint later reported by the Pathologist as tubercular; good result.
(f) Ankylosis of Hip with extreme Deformity. Correction and arthrodesis.
(g) "Malum Coxae Senile" with pain. Arthrodesis extra- and intra-articular (after Hibb's idea).
(h) Luxation of Jaw, constantly recurring. Operation of capsule reefing.

Dr. J. C. Hubbard — Reconstruction of the Common Bile Duct.

(Entered Hospital with acute cholecystitis; a cholecystectomy done. Returned with complete biliary fistula. Reconstruction of common bile duct with rubber tube and dissection of biliary sinus, end of which was turned into duodenum. Healed with excellent result.)

Dr. Horace Binney

(a) A Case of probable Portal Phlebitis.
(b) A Case of Subphrenic Abscess following Appendicitis.

Dr. I. J. Walker

(a) Bilateral Fractures of Femur. Open reduction.
(b) Fracture Both Bones of Femur. Open reduction.

Dr. A. R. Kimpton

(a) Several Cases of Splenectomy.
(b) Fractured Os Calcis.
(c) Chronic Intussusception.

Dr. R. C. Cochrane

(a) Enterostomy for Post-operative Obstruction. (Appendectomy with drainage eight or nine days before.)
(b) Lantern Slides.

Dr. O. J. Hermann.

(a) Transverse Fracture Lower End of Humerus with Comminution of Condyles; shaft driven through condyles. Open reduction and internal fixation of condylar fragments by Parham band, and shaft locked in place.
(b) Localized Bone Abscess Os Calcis. Treated by sterilization by carbolic, alcohol, ether, and packed with bone wax.

Dr. J. J. Hepburn

Bullet in Left Acetabulum. Removal followed by Osteomyelitis and removal of head of left femur.

Dr. Donald Munro

Major Trigeminal Neuralgia. Partial resection of the sensory root of the fifth nerve with retention of corneal sensation.
(Female, single, white, 60 years of age,-McAuliffe.
Patient had been suffering from typical trigeminal neuralgia for years. She had received no treatment except one alcohol injection which gave her temporary relief for six or eight months. The usual operative exposure was made and partial resection of the sensory root only of the Gasserian ganglion was carried out. The ophthalmic fibers and the motor root were left intact. Since the operation the patient has been free from pain and has retained a normal corneal sensibility.)

Dr. W. R. Morrison

(a) Perforating Ulcer Lesser Curvature of Stomach. Treated by Balfour cautery, excision, posterior gastroenterostomy. (X-ray report urged immediate operation.)
(b) Complete Hysterectomy for Hydatidiform Mole. ? of Chorioepithelioma. Pre-operative diagnosis was fibroid; question of pregnancy.
(c) Perforation of Gangrenous Gall Bladder. (X-ray showed obstruction in the hepatic flexure of colon; question of carcinoma.)

Secretary

DR. RUDOLPH MATAS
2255 ST. CHARLES AVE.
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

February 26, 1927

Dr. William C. Quimby, Secretary
Boston, Mass

Dear Dr. Quimby:-

I hasten to acknowledge and thank you for your highly appreciated letter of the 23rd. inst, informing me that the Boston Surgical Society had unanimously elected me, on February 14th., to honorary membership in this distinguished body. With the memories of the Bigelow Medal celebration so gratefully alive in my mind, I need scarcely tell you how deeply this added distinction and signal mark of the Society's favor has touched me. On that occasion I endeavored to express the sentiments of admiration, respect and affection that since the earliest years of my professional life have been inspired in me by the example and achievements of the great leaders of Boston surgery with whom I have come in contact, and now I am made doubly happy by this last action of the Society which gives me the assurance that the sentiments which I so cordially entertain for its members have been so graciously reciprocated.

Please convey my grateful acknowledgement to the members of the Society and believe me with best regards,

Yours very sincerely,

R. Matas

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DR. RUDOLPH MATAS
1555 ST. CHARLES AVE.
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

February 23, 1927

Dr. William C. Quinby, Secretary
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Quinby:-

I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your highly appreciated letter of the 23rd. inst. informing me that the Boston Surgical Society had unanimously elected me, on February 14th., to honorary membership in this distinguished body. With the memories of the Bigelow Medal celebration so greatly alive in my mind, I need scarcely tell you how deeply this added distinction and signal mark of the Society's favor has touched me. On that occasion I endeavored to express the sentiments of admiration, respect and affection that since the earliest years of my professional life have been inspired in me by the example and achievements of the great leaders of Boston surgery with whom I have come in contact. And now I am made doubly happy by this last action of the Society which gives me the assurance that the sentiments which I so cordially entertain for its members have been so graciously reciprocated.

Please convey my grateful acknowledgement to the members of the Society and believe me with best regards.

Yours very sincerely,

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SEVENTY-FOURTH MEETING

Record of the seventy-fourth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, February 14, 1927, at 8:15 p.m. at the St. Botolph Club, Boston.

There were present: Drs. Allen, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Daland, Davis, Hermann, Homans, Hubbard, Loder, Mahoney, Wm. J. Mixter, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, active members; Dr. Blake, senior member; and Dr. H. W. Cushing, honorary member. Drs. Paul D. White, Samuel A. Levine, Francis C. Newton and Walter B. Cannon were present as guests.

The reading of the records of the previous meeting was omitted.

On motion by the Secretary, seconded by Dr. Brewster, it was voted that Dr. Rudolph Matas, the last recipient of the Bigelow Medal, be elected to honorary membership of the Society.

The following papers were presented:

Dr. Walter B. Cannon: Complete Denervation of the Heart. (By invitation)
Dr. Edward P. Richardson: Results of Cervical Sympathectomy for Angina Pectoris.
Dr. Arthur W. Allen: Surgery of Circulatory Diseases of the Extremities.

These papers were discussed by Drs. White, Levine, Newton, Mixter and Homans.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

H. C. Quinby

Secretary

SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING

Record of the seventy-fifty meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held in the Out-Patient Department of the Massachusetts General Hospital on the morning of March 7th, 1927, at 10 a.m.

There were present: Drs. Allison, Brackett, Briggs, Cheever, Greenough, Hartwell, Hermann, Homans, Jones, Miller, C. G. Mixter, W. J. Mixter, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, Vincent, and Whittemore, active members; and Dr. Blake, senior member.

The following clinics were visited:

Orthopedic Clinic	Dr. Allison
Ultra-violet ray therapy.	Dr. Schwartz
Massage and physio-therapy.	Miss Dupee
Fractures - Male Surgical Clinic. . . .	Dr. Reggio
Gastro-intestinal Clinic.	Dr. McIver
Industrial Clinic	Dr. Parmenter
Female Surgical Clinic.	Dr. Coues
South Medical Clinic.	Dr. Lloyd
Tumor Clinic.	Dr. Greenough
X-ray Therapy	Dr. Dresser

H. C. Quinby
Secretary

SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING

Record of the seventy-sixth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held on Monday, April 4, 1927, at 8:15 p.m. at the St. Botolph Club, Boston.

There were present: Drs. Allen, Binney, Brewster, Briggs, Cutler, Daland, Davis, Hermann, Horax, Hubbard, Hutchins, Jones, Leland, Lund, Mahoney, Miller, C. G. Mixter, O'Neil, Porter, Richardson, Rushmore, Soutter, Whittemore and Young, active members; and Dr. Blake, senior member. Drs. Lawrence W. Smith and Tracy B. Mallory were present as guests.

The reading of the records of the previous meeting was omitted.

The following papers were presented:

Dr. Lincoln Davis: Recurrent Peptic Ulcer after Gastro-Enterostomy.
Dr. J. D. Camp: Roentgenological Appearances of Jejunal Ulcers. (By invitation)
Dr. E. L. Young, Jr.: Colloid Cancer of the Bladder.

These papers were discussed by Drs. Jones, Lund, Davis, Richardson, O'Neil, and Smith.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Gilbert Horrax

Secretary pro tem

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, was held on Monday, September 26th, at the office of Dr. Joshua C. Hubbard.

There were present: Drs. Hubbard, Painter, Homans, Miller, Simmons, Porter and Quinby.

On motion of Dr. Painter, duly seconded, it was voted that the President appoint an Auditing and a Nominating Committee.

Dr. Hubbard appointed for the Nominating Committee Drs. Osgood, Cheever and Davis, and for the Auditing Committee Drs. A. W. Allen and Davis.

The Treasurer reported that there was a balance in the bank on the 15th of September, 1927, of $1,107.22 as compared with $1,016.85 of last year.

In view of the fact that the fund is increasing without any especial necessity therefor, Dr. Homans moved that the dues for the ensuing year be reduced to $3. This motion was duly seconded and voted.

Discussion was then had in regard to membership and at the termination of this discussion the Secretary was requested to write letters to Drs. Brackett, Brewster, Cobb, Cushing, Greenough, Lund, O'Neil, Stone and Williams suggesting that they allow their names to be placed on the senior list.

In regard to candidates for membership, after discussion of the list of names the following names were voted upon to be presented to the Nominating Committee as available candidates: Drs. James W. Sever, Leland S. McKittrick, Frank A. Pemberton, Joe V. Meigs and Thomas H. Lanman.

In regard to the Bigelow Medal, after discussion it was moved by Dr. Porter, seconded and carried that no medal be voted this year.

The meeting then adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Secretary

SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

Record of the seventy-seventh meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held at the Children's Hospital under the auspices of Dr. Robert B. Osgood and Dr. Wm. E. Ladd on the 14th of November, 1927.

There were present: Drs. Binney, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cutler, Homans, Hubbard, Ladd, Lahey, Leland, Mahoney, Miller, Chas. G. Mixter, Osgood, Quinby, Richardson, Simmons, Stone, and Vincent, active members.

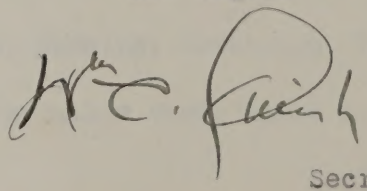
The following program was presented:

Surgical Cases — Dr. Ladd.

1. Septic hip.
2. Septic hip. Osteomyelitis right femur.
3. Osteomyelitis right femur. Septic hip, right.
4. Osteomyelitis femur.
5. Case of osteomyelitis neck of femur and septic hip.
6. Case of osteomyelitis of humerus and ischium.

Orthopaedic Cases

1. Septic hips.
   Septic sacro iliac joint.
   Treatment of septic joints by repeated aspirations.
   Dr. Osgood
2. Unusual cases of tuberculosis.
   Dr. Brewster
3. Infection of head of femur.
   Dr. Fitchet
4. Studies on lymphatic drainage of joint.
   Dr. Kuhns
5. Unusual disappearance of sequestra.
   Dr. Osgood



Secretary

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, was held at the office of Dr. Joshua C. Hubbard on Tuesday, November 22nd.

There were present: Drs. Hubbard, Graves, Ladd, Miller, Painter, Porter, Simmons and Quinby, together with Dr. Osgood from the Nominating Committee by invitation.

The meeting concerned itself with a discussion of the problem of membership in the Society together with the advisability of the wisdom of creating vacancies for new members by asking certain of the active members to allow their names to be entered on the senior list, as was decided at the previous meeting of the Council. The feeling was rather general that this method of creating vacancies was on the whole unwise.

A letter from the Nominating Committee together with its recommendation was read and discussed. This letter appears herewith.

1. It was finally moved by Dr. Miller, and duly seconded, that the recommendations of the Nominating Committee be accepted by the Executive Council for presentation to the Society as a whole. This motion was unanimously carried.

2. It was voted on motion of Dr. Simmons, duly seconded, that the Secretary notify members in regard to absences, as provided in the

Constitution, a matter which has been recently in abeyance, and to bring this to the attention of the Society at large with recommendations that the rule be enforced.

3. It was voted on motion of Dr. Painter, duly seconded, that a special meeting of the Society as a whole be called before the stated meeting in December, in order that these matters may receive formal action of the Society before the lapse of another twelve months.

The meeting then adjourned.

Wm C. Smith

Secretary

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., was called for November 28th at 5 p.m. at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital to discuss matters of membership in relation to the Constitution and in regard to the suggested changes embodied in the letter from the Nominating Committee.

Sixteen members of the Society were present.

1. It was voted on motion of Dr. Cheever, duly seconded, that the sentiment of this present meeting is that the number of active members shall be limited to seventy-five.

2. It was voted on motion of Dr. Davis, duly seconded, that an associate membership be established and that the associate members be subject to the usual dues, but be exempt from initiation fee and have no vote.

3. It was voted on motion of Dr. Osgood, duly seconded, that members on the active list be automatically retired to the senior list at that age at which the individual member's active hospital work ceases.

4. It was voted on motion of Dr. Greenough, duly seconded, that ARTICLE IV. Section 5 of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows: "The unexplained absence of an active member from three consecutive meetings of the Society, provided notice has been sent to him by the secretary, after his second absence, may result in his name being placed on the senior list at the discretion of the Executive Council."

The meeting then adjourned.

Wm. C. Loring

Secretary

DR. JOEL E. GOLDTHWAIT
DR. ROBERT B. OSGOOD
DR. LLOYD T. BROWN
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November 11th, 1927

Dr. William C. Quinby, Secretary,
The Boston Surgical Society,
Peter Bent Brigham Hospital,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Quinby:

The Nominating Committee appointed by the President have apparently, according to the By-Laws, no duties except to appoint one member of the Executive Committee for five years. We would suggest the name of Dr. Horace Binney for this office. The other officers hold over for two years, according to the By-Laws.

The Nominating Committee have been asked by the Secretary to pass on the names of candidates proposed by the Council. In this connection they have discussed the purpose and present status of the Society and have been bold enough to ask you to lay before the Council certain suggestions which in their opinion would add to the strength, activity and usefulness of the Society. They feel the Society is not as active as it should be and does not take the place in the surgery of Boston which it ought to take. The suggestions which we make are as follows:

1. That Section 1 of Article II of the By-Laws be again amended by changing the last word in the section which is "fifty," to "seventy-five," so that the section shall read, "There shall be three classes of members, active, senior and honorary. The number of active members shall be limited to seventy-five."

2. That the first sentence of Section 3, Article II, be stricken out and the following sentence substituted: "Active members of the Society shall automatically be placed on the senior list at the age of sixty. A Fellow may at his own request be placed on the senior list if the Council so recommends."

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3. That an entirely new section be added to Article II, probably following Section 5, to read as follows: "There shall be an associate membership in the Society, to consist of younger surgeons who have been graduates of medicine for at least five years. Associate membership shall be for five years and at the end of this period the Council shall recommend to the Society that either (a) the associate member shall be reëlected as an associate member, (b)the associate member shall be elected to active membership or (c) the associate member shall be dropped."

The Nominating Committee feel that it is unfortunate to place on the senior list by suggestion of the Council without receiving a definite request of the active member, men who are still active in practice and hospital work, and that if the Society should vote to increase its membership, those members who have during the last two years been placed on the senior list, if they are under the age of sixty, should be asked to resume active membership, unless they personally desire to be placed on the senior list.

The Nominating Committee suggest that the present active membership of the Society should be filled to its fullest extent and in addition to the five candidates approved by the Executive Council, they recommend that the following men on the waiting list be approved by the Executive Council:

Philip D. Wilson
Donald Munro
John H. Cunningham
Arthur R. Kimpton
Francis C. Newton

Very sincerely yours,

David Cheever
Lincoln Davis
Robert B. Osgood

SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING.

Record of the Annual Meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held at the St. Botolph Club at 8:15 on Monday, December 5, 1927.

There were present Drs. Allen, Allison, Binney, Briggs, Chute, Cochrane, Cotton, Cutler, Davis, A. McK. Fraser, S. Fraser, Greenough, Hartwell, Hubbard, Miller, C. G. Mixter, O'Neil, Osgood, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, Simmons, and Soutter, active members.

The report of the last meeting -- a special meeting -- was read and so approved.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and approved, the Treasurer's report showing a bank balance of $1,128.50.

The Nominating Committee proposed for election to the Executive Council the name of Dr. Horace Binney. On motion of Dr. Davis the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for Dr. Binney's election.

The various changes proposed in the By-Laws were then discussed, and after considerable debate it was voted:

1. That ARTICLE II, Section 3 of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows: "An active member shall automatically become a senior member at that age at which such member's active hospital work ceases. Senior members shall not vote and shall not pay dues, but may take part in the scientific work of the Society. Senior members shall not be eligible to office."

2. In regard to the second proposal that the By-Laws be amended to permit the creation of an associate membership, the majority of feeling

seemed to be that this matter had best not be acted on at present. On motion of Dr. Cotton, therefore, duly seconded, it was voted to lay this on the table.

3. On motion of Dr. Richardson, duly seconded, it was voted that ARTICLE II. Section 1 be amended to read as follows: "There shall be three classes of members, active, senior and honorary. The number of active members shall be limited to seventy-five."

Some discussion then took place concerning the previous suggestion of Dr. Greenough regarding the disposition of members absent without excuse from three consecutive meetings. Inasmuch as this matter was, by an oversight, not included in the call for the meeting, no action which could now be taken on it would be binding. After expressions of considerable difference of opinion in regard to this matter, it was finally voted that the matter be laid on the table.

The names of those approved by the Executive Council for election to active membership were then submitted to the Society for individual vote. As a result of this vote the following men were declared by the President to be unanimously elected: James W. Sever, Leland S. McKittrick, Frank A. Pemberton, Joe V. Meigs, and Thomas H. Lanman.

At the end of the business meeting a paper on "Pathological and Clinical Aspects of Renal Tumors" was read by Dr. Wm. C. Quinby and was discussed by Drs. Miller, Chute, C. G. Mixter, Binney and O'Neil.

Adjournment.

Wm C. Quinby

Secretary

Dec. 1927

SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING

Record of the seventy-ninth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held at the Huntington Memorial Hospital under the auspices of Dr. Robert B. Greenough on Monday, January 9, 1928.

There were present: Drs. Allen, Binney, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Cutler, Daland, A. McK. Fraser, Greenough, Homans, Horrax, Hubbard, Ladd, Leland, Lund, Miller, Porter, Simmons, Stone, Vincent, Lanman, McKittrick, Meigs, Pemberton, and Quinby, active members; and Dr. Painter, senior member.

The following program was presented:

Introductory remarks	Dr. Greenough
Cancer of the fundus of the uterus	Dr. Leland
Diathermy.	Dr. Daland
Cancer of the cervix of the uterus	Dr. Meigs
Pernicious anaemia	Dr. Jackson
Cancer of the uterus	Dr. Leland
Diathermy.	Dr. Daland
Cancer of the mouth.	Dr. Simmons

Secretary

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, was held at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital on Wednesday, the 18th of January, 1928, at 5 p.m.

There were present: Drs. Graves (Vice-president), Simmons, Homans, Ladd, and Quinby.

The meeting was called to discuss the question of making an award of the Bigelow Medal in conjunction with the coming meeting of the American College of Surgeons to be held in Boston in October of this year.

After discussion it was moved, seconded and voted that an award of the Medal be made in conjunction with the meeting of the American College of Surgeons.

Secondly, it was unanimously voted that the Medal be awarded to Dr. Harvey Cushing. Besides the affirmative vote of those present, the Secretary carried the affirmative proxies of Drs. Porter and Hubbard, who were unable to be present at the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Wm. C. Quinby.
Secretary

EIGHTIETH MEETING.

Record of the eightieth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held at the St. Botolph Club on Wednesday, February 15, 1928, at 8:15 p.m.

There were present Drs. Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cutler, A. McK. Fraser, Homans, Horrax, Hubbard, Ladd, Mahoney, Chas. G. Mixter, Ober, Painter, Porter, Quinby, Richardson, Soutter, Simmons, Lanman, Meigs, and Sever, active members. Dr. E. W. Taylor was a guest of the Society.

The records of the previous meeting were read and approved, after which the paper of the evening was presented by Dr. Gilbert Horrax on the subject of Cordotomy.

After a resumé of the literature and experiences with this operation in the hands of others, Dr. Horrax related his own results in eight cases. There would seem to be no doubt whatever that the operation is of extreme value in the control of unbearable pain occurring at or below the level of the umbilicus. The technical details of the operation were described and so far as possible, the end-results.

The paper was discussed by Dr. E. W. Taylor, who was a guest of the Society at this meeting, following which, further remarks were made by Drs. Porter, Homans and others.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

H. C. Jones
Secretary

EIGHTY-FIRST MEETING

Record of the eighty-first meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital on Monday, March 12, 1928.

No attendance of this meeting was recorded.

The following program was presented:

Right transfrontal bone flap for olfactory groove meningioma.
Dr. Horrax and Dr. Cushing

A single, factory girl, aged 29, who has had headaches, failing vision and attacks of opisthotanus for 1½ yrs. There is bilateral anosmia, partial emotional left facial paresis, and slight bilateral spasticity. X-ray shows evidence of tumor.

Resection or gastro-enterostomy for obstructing pyloric ulcer.
Dr. Francis Newton

A married, Swedish cook, aged 48, with a seven year history typical of peptic ulcer. She has had recurrence under dietary treatment and for the past three months increasing pain. X-ray shows partial pyloric obstruction. There is high gastric acidity.

Left pyelotomy for calculi, right nephrectomy.
Dr. Quinby

A Jewish woman, aged 42, who had chills and fever three times a week for several months eight to ten years ago and who has had gross painless hematuria for the past two weeks. X-ray shows calcification in the right kidney and a hydronephrosis and hydroureter on left by pyelogram. The right ureteral orifice was not found at cystoscopy.

Resection of bleeding duodenal ulcer.
Dr. Cheever

A single meat-cutter, aged 24, who has had ulcer symptoms for 5 yrs.; dietary treatment has given partial relief but for 1½ yrs. he has had tarry stools, nausea and weakness on several occasions. X-ray shows duodenal ulcer and no obstruction of pylorus. Red count 3,800,000. Benzidine test positive in the stools.

Exploration of liver. Dr. Homans

A Greek draftsman, aged 26, who came to this country 15 years ago. For 5 years has had heaviness in epigastrium and indigestion. Large smooth mass in the right upper epigastrium and X-ray shows a large cyst at the dome of the liver on the right.

Suprapubic cystotomy for carcinoma of the bladder. Dr. Quinby

A Canadian street railway foreman, aged 61, with a story of intermittent gross hematuria for a year. Four fulgurations of the bladder tumor were done in August, 1927, by the cystoscopic route. At present, painful, bloody micturition every half hour to an hour. Marked loss of weight. Hgb. 70%. R.B.C. 4,000,000.

W. C. Quinby

Secretary

EIGHTY-SECOND MEETING

Record of the eighty-second meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday, April 16th, 1928 at 8:15 p.m.

There were present Drs. Binney, Brewster, Briggs, Chute, Cochrane, Cutler, Daland, A. McK. Fraser, S. Fraser, Hartwell, Hermann, Homans, Ladd, Lahey, Mahoney, Porter, Quinby, Vincent, Lanman, Meigs and Pemberton.

The first paper of the evening was presented by Dr. William E. Ladd on the subject of "Congenital Atresia and Stenosis of the Bile Ducts". He reviewed in outline the experiences of previous investigators of this subject, result of which finds that although in numerous instances the obstruction of the biliary ducts is beyond remedy because of the marked degree of anomaly present, there are, however, cases in which the deformity being less severe, surgical anastomosis of some portion of the biliary tract with the intestinal tract is possible. In cases of jaundice in the newborn persisting for four or five weeks a congenital anomaly should always be thought of and frequently an exploratory operation is needed. Dr. Ladd then related in detail the operative findings of eight cases in six of which recovery followed operation.

The second paper of the evening was presented by Dr. John Homans and Dr. John H. Powers, by invitation, on the subject of appendicitis. The paper confined itself to those instances of appendicitis in which a secondary abscess has been discovered before operation has been under-

taken, and the subsequent inability of the operator in such instances to find and remove the appendix. This was found to be especially true in abscesses eccentrically situated. It was Dr. Homans' opinion that in such instances after the abscess has been drained by an eccentric incision, at a relatively early period, approximately ten days or two weeks following the first operation, a second incision of the abdomen over the caecum will disclose the base of the appendix, which can be followed down and its tip removed from the region of the diseased wall. It is thus possible to get rid of the appendix and close the second operative wound without drainage.

An interesting discussion was accorded both papers.

Adjournment.

H. C. Smith

Secretary

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– 10th October – 1928 –

The Boston Surgical Society

invites you to be its guest at an address by

Chevalier Jackson

entitled:

"Bronchoscopy: Past, Present and Future."

The address will be followed by

the award of the

Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal

The Ball Room of the Copley Plaza Hotel
Wednesday, October 10, at 8:30 P. M.

Ladies accompanying members of the Congress are included in this invitation.

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EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING

Record of the eighty-third meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held at the Massachusetts General Hospital on Monday, November 5, 1928, at 10 o'clock.

There were present: Drs. Allen, Allison, Brackett, Brewster, Cheever, Chute, Cutler, Daland, Davis, Graves, Hartwell, Hermann, Lahey, Leland, Lund, Miller, C. G. Mixter, W. J. Mixter, O'Neil, Porter, Richardson, Simmons, Vincent, Young, McKittrick, and Meigs. Drs. Osgood and Rushmore expressed in writing their inability to attend the meeting.

The following operations were performed:

Removal of hypernephroma.	Dr. Barney
Laminectomy for the removal of tumor of the cord.	Dr. Mixter
Repair of duodenal ulcer.	Dr. Lincoln Davis
Repair of gastric ulcer with fascial suture of inguinal hernia.	Dr. E. L. Young, Jr.
Laparotomy for salpingitis.	Dr. McIver

Two operations by the Orthopedic Service.

A dry clinic followed, the following cases being shown and discussed:

Tuberculous glands of the neck.	Dr. Miller
Foreign body in the rectum.	Dr. Sheddon
Treatment of burns.	Dr. McIver
Case of repair of rectovesicovaginal fistula.	Dr. Lincoln Davis
Spinal anesthesia.	Dr. McKittrick
Various plastics.	Dr. Daland
Case of double transplantation of the ureters into the bowel.	Dr. C. G. Smith

E. L. Young.
Secretary pro tem

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., was held at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital on November 20th at 5 p.m.

There were present Drs. Porter, Binney, Graves, Simmons, Homans, Ladd, and Quinby.

In the matter of dues from active members of the Society for the ensuing year, it was moved, seconded and carried that they be set at three dollars.

The request of Dr. Farrar Cobb that he be transferred to the Senior List was read by the Secretary and accepted by the Council.

The Treasurer reported Cash on Hand of $1,124.09, as compared with the balance of $1,107.22 in 1927.

The Vice-President, Dr. Graves, then appointed a Nominating Committee ~~for the ensuing two years~~, consisting of Drs. Porter, Simmons and Quinby. He then appointed an Auditing Committee for this year, consisting of Drs. Homans and Cheever.

The Nominating Committee, after general discussion, submitted the following names for officers: For President, Dr. Robert B. Greenough; for Vice-President, Dr. Horace Binney; for Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Richard H. Miller, if this name meets with the approval of Dr. Greenough. For the new member of the Executive Council, Dr. William P. Graves.

The list of nominations for active membership was then discussed and the following names, individually voted on by the Executive Council, received its affirmation:

Dr. Thomas E. Chandler
Dr. Edward D. Churchill
Dr. Howard M. Clute
Dr. Charles T. Howard
Dr. Donald Munro
Dr. A. William Reggio
Dr. Thomas K. Richards
Dr. Horace P. Stevens
Dr. Philip D. Wilson

The meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.

Secretary

EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING.

Record of the Annual Meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday, December 3, 1928, at 8:15 p.m.

There were present Drs. Allen, Binney, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chute, Cochrane, Cotton, Cutler, Daland, S. Fraser, Graves, Greenough, Hartwell, Hermann, Homans, Horrax, Ladd, O'Neil, Osgood, Quinby, Rushmore, Simmons, Vincent, Lanman, McKittrick and Sever, active members; Dr. Codman, senior member; and as a guest, Mr. Jose of Adelaide, Australia.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The matter of the election of Dr. Chevalier Jackson to Honorary Membership in the Society as a sequel to the award of the Bigelow Medal was brought up and it was moved and seconded that he be made an Honorary Member. A unanimous vote was recorded.

The list of nominees for officers, reported by the Nominating Committee, was then read, and after motion duly seconded, the Secretary was directed to cast one affirmative ballot for the list as follows: President, Dr. Robert B. Greenough; Vice-President, Dr. Horace Binney; Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Richard H. Miller; and Member of the Executive Council, Dr. William P. Graves.

Dr. Greenough then took the Chair, and proceeded to the next order of business -- the election of new members. The list of nominees, acceptable to the Executive Council, was read and each name was voted on

individually. The following named gentlemen received more than the necessary two-thirds vote and were, therefore, declared elected to the Society:

Dr. Thomas E. Chandler
Dr. Edward D. Churchill
Dr. Howard M. Clute
Dr. Donald Munro
Dr. André W. Reggio
Dr. Horace P. Stevens
Dr. Philip D. Wilson

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer, as certified by the Auditing Committee, was then read and accepted by the Society.

At the close of the business meeting the following papers were presented:

Symptoms and Diagnosis of Urinary Lithiasis. Dr. Arthur L. Chute

Treatment of Urinary Lithiasis. Dr. Wm. C. Quinby

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Wm. C. Quinby
Secretary

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Eighty-fifth Meeting.

Record of the eighty-fifth regular meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the Free Hospital for Women, January 8, 1929.

There were present Drs. Allen, Brewster, Briggs, Chandler Cheever, Clute, Cutler, Daland, Davis, Graves, Greenough, Hartwell, Horrax, Hutchins, Jones, Loder, Lund, A. Fraser, Meigs, Miller, C. Mixter, W. J. Mixter, Munor, Ober, Pemberton, Quinby, Reggio, Richardson, Rushmore, Sever, Simmons, Stevens and Wilson.

There were interesting operations by Drs. Graves and Pemberton representing various procedures and problems in gynecologic surgery. Following this was the dry clinic as follows:

1. Demonstration of Cancer cases treated by Cautery, Radical operation, Radium and Lead. Dr. Graves.
2. Follow-up Report on Breast Cancer. Dr. Bartlett.
3. Cell-type Cancer of the Cervix. Dr. Pemberton.
4. Preparation of Colloid. Dr. Smith.

After this there was inspection of the new biochemical laboratory. The meeting was extremly interesting and appreciated by all.

Respectfully submitted.
Richard H. Miller
Secretary.

Eighty-sixth Meeting.

Record of the eighty-sixth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the St. Botolph Club, February 4, 1929.

Meeting called to order at 8:15, Dr. Greenough presiding.

Members present were: Drs. Allen, Brackett, Briggs, Chandler, Churchill, Daland, S. Fraser, Graves, Greenough, Hutchins, Ladd, Lanman, Leland, C.C. Lund, F. B. Lund, Meigs, Miller, Munro, Pemberton, Rushmore, Stevens, Soutter, Vincent.

The following two papers were read:

1. "Plastics on the Face." Dr. Ernest M. Daland.
   Discussed by Dr. Kazanjian.
2. "The Formation of an Artificial Vagina." Dr. Rushmore.
   Discussed by Dr. W. P. Graves.

The discussion of these papers was extremely interesting and caused considerable discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Respectfully submitted.
Richard H. Miller
Secretary.

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Eighty-seventh Meeting.

Record of the eighty-seventh meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the New England Deaconess Hospital and Palmer Memorial Hospital on March 4, 1929.

Members present were: Drs. Allen, Birnie, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Chandler, Clute, Heyward Cushing, Cutler, Daland, Homans, Hutchins, Jones, Lahey, Lanman, Mahoney, Miller, W. J. Mixter, C. G. Mixter, McKittrick, Pemberton, Porter, Quinby, Reggio, Richardson, Simmons, G.G. Smith, Stevens, Young.

At the Deaconess Hospital there were operations by various members of The Lahey Clinic and at the Palmer Memorial Hospital operations by Drs. D. F. Jones, G. G. Smith, Channing Simmons, G. A. Leland and others. There were various short talks by members of the staffs of the two hospitals.

Respectfully submitted.
Richard H. Miller
Secretary.

Eighty-eighth Meeting.

Record of the eighty-eighth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the St. Botolph Club on April 1, 1929.

Dr. Smithwick's communication concerned the introduction of foreign protein into the body in order to cause hyperemia of the extremities. Following the introduction of such a substance as typhoid vaccine there is a fall in the capillary blood flow at first, followed by a rise. Coincident with this there is a fall in the surface temperature of the body which also soon rises. Both these rises continue over a considerable length of time. Immediately after the injection the body temperature rises and there is frequently a chill, but the temperature agains fall to normal. Three groups of cases were studied--arteriosclrotic gangrene, Raynaud's disease and thrombo-angiitis obliterans. Injections were made at rather lengthy periods, certainly more than a week apart, and in most instances the results as regards cure of ulcers were beneficial.

Dr. Mixter discussed cases in which sympathetic glands had been resected, in some of which Adson's technique had been used. Section of the sympathetic ganglia causes increase of circulation to the part below. Definite benefit was seen in cases of Raynaud's disease and in various complications of poliomyelitis, but in spastic paralysis section of the sympathetic only causes benefit by increase or improvement in the circulation to the part.

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Dr. White described the treatment of pain which these cases of gangrene and ulceration so often have, and his attempts to allay this by nerve blocking with alcohol. He demonstrated very clearly the anatomical criteria in blocking of the sensory nerves of the leg.

Dr. McKittrick discussed the results of amputation for gangrene following diabetes. Ninety of his one hundred and forty-two patients are alive, fifty of these having had major amputations. A distinct difference is seen in the results of amputation in these cases--whether infection is present as compared with those where infection is absent. The arteriosclerotic type gives the poorest results, the cold, painful, pulseless foot being characteristic of this variety. Only two patients have painful stumps. Twenty-five per cent of the patients will die within a year according to his statistics, and twenty-seven per cent will die later of some circulatory cause. No patients are alive five years after operation.

Dr. Faxon discussed the injection treatment of varicose veins, of which there have been two hundred and seventy injections in eighty-one patients. Quinine hydrochlorid with urethane is the substance with which he has had the best results. The quinine solution causes very little pain; other solutions cause more. A definite contraindication to the injection treatment is an acute phlebitis, and he advocates waiting three moths after such an occurrence before making an injection. In his cases there have been only eight in which there have been any complications, and only one case in which an acute phlebitis was caused.

Dr Allen related his experience in cases in which arteries are blocked by emboli. Key has taken the lead in this type of surgery at present, and has reported forty-five cases from Sweden alone. About thirty per cent of the reported cases in the literature have been successful, but in many of these the brachial artery was the one involved, in which case the results are better than in the leg. In over half the cases the embolus was due to heart disease. In the operation of embolectomy time is a very important element, for the longer the embolus is allowed to remain in the artery, the more danger is done to the intima. The usual place for an embolus to lodge is at a bifurcation. Since 1924 Dr. Allen has operated on seven cases of which one has been successful.

Respectfully submitted
Richard H. Miller
Secretary.

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society, Incorporated, was held at Dr. Greenough's office on Thursday, October 31, 1929 at 5 p.m.

There were present Drs. Greenough, Binney, Simmons, Graves and Miller.

It was voted that the following men be nominated to fill the vacancies in the Council.

To fill the vacancy left by retirement of Dr. Homans, and to serve till 1935--Dr. Gilbert Horrax.

To fill the vacancy left by election of Dr. Miller to be Secretary-Treasurer, and to serve till 1931--Dr. W. J. Mixter.

To fill the vacancy left by election of Dr. Binney to be Vice-president, and to serve till 1933--Dr. H. B. Loder.

It was voted that the dues for the ensuing year be $3.00.

It was voted that the Treasurer be empowered to deposit some of the funds of the Society in a Savings Bank.

It was voted that the secretary take steps to see that the proper action be taken in regard to the death of Dr. James S. Stone.

The following men were nominated for membership in the Society, their names to be balloted on at the Annual Meeting in December.

J. Dellinger Barney
Francis Newton
Louis Phaneuf
M. N. Smith-Petersen
Horace K. Sowles
Irving J. Walker

It was the opinion of the Council that the following men should be transfered from the Active to the Senior list.

Nathaniel Allison
E. G. Brackett
G. W. W. Brewster
J. C. Hubbard
C. A. Porter
Hugh Williams

Respectfully submitted.

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Eighty-ninth Meeting.

Record of the eighty-ninth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the Boston City Hospital on Monday, November 4th, 1929.

Members present were: Drs. Binney, Brewster, Briggs, Cheever, Churchill, Cochrane, Cotton. Daland, S. Fraser, Greenough, Hermann, Horrax, Loder, Mahoney, Meigs, Miller, W. J. Mixter, Munro, Osgood, Pemberton, Rushmore, Seaver, Vincent.

Operations were performed by Drs. Binney, Walker, Hermann, Cochrane, Howard and Riley. After this at 10:30 there was a dry clinic in which many interesting and instructive cases were demonstrated by Drs. Kimpton, Hermann, Shortell, Walker, Cochrane, Riley, Binney, Loder and Cotton.

Following this a very pleasant luncheon was served by the hospital in the house-officer's dining room.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Miller
Secretary.

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Ninetieth Meeting

Record of the Annual Meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the St. Botolph Club on December 2, 1929.

Meeting was called to order at 8:20 P.M., the President, Dr. Greenough, presiding.

There were present: Drs. Allen, Binney, Brewster, Cheever, Chute, Codman, Cutler, Daland, Davis, A. McK. Fraser, S. Fraser, Greenough, Homans, Horrax, Hutchins, Johnson, Jones, Lanman, Leland, Lund, Ladd, Meigs, Miller, C. J. Mixter, Mc Kittrick, Osgood, Quinby, Reggio, Richardson, Rushmore, Simmons, Wilson, and Dr. C. M. Jones as guest.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Resolutions in regard to the death of Dr. James S. Stone were read by Dr. Osgood, chairman of the especially appointed committee. It was voted that these resolutions be incorporated in the records of the Society, and a copy sent to Mrs. Stone.

The following were unanimously elected members of the Executive Council:

To serve till 1931, Dr. W. J. Mixter.
To serve till 1933, Dr. H. B. Loder.
To serve till 1935, Dr. Gilbert Horrax.

The following men were then elected members of the Society:

Dr. J. Dellinger Barney	Dr. M. N. Smith-Petersen
Dr. Francis Newton	Dr. Horace K. Sowles
Dr. Louis Phaneuf	Dr. Irving J. Walker

There followed the papers of the evening, on the subject of "Cancer of the Colon"--

Dr. D. F. Jones spoke of the importance of this condition and emphasized the apparent lack of interest in it, on the part of the profession as a whole, and the failure of early diagnosis. He said that the average case could have three years added to their life, if the condition were recognized in time. In making the diagnosis, change in bowel habit, occult blood in the stool, and pain, are all important. The x-ray is valuable, but not infalliable. and one should not be lead astray by a negative report. He deprecated the present day use of oils. as they mask the increasing constipation. He spoke of the preparation for operation, and briefly of the operative procedures, emphasizing the importance of preliminary colostomy or caecostomy.

Dr. L. S. Mc Kittrick presented the statastics of 201 cases at the Massachusetts General Hospital, annalyzing them in groups, according to the location of the growth. His figures were interesting, but too much to give in detail here. Cases of cancer of the caecum are characterized by marked anaemia, those of the hepatic flexure are hardest to diagnose, those of the transverse colon most favorable, and those of the descending colon most discouraging. Of the total 201 cases 82% had positive x-rays, and the mortality was 48%. All but 19 had some sort of pain.

Dr. David Cheever reported in detail a numer of fatal cases from the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, and advocated the preliminary establishment of the permanent type of colostomyabove the growth. He stressed the fact that cancer of the colon is on the whole a favorable type of cancer, and said that 30% may go on to fatal without metastases in the liver. He mentioned having seen several cases under 30 years of age, and emphasized the importance of the diagnostic x-ray.

There followed a long and interesting discussion, in which the following gentlemen spoke--Drs. Richardson, Binney, Homans, Hutchins, F. B. Lund, C. M. Jones, L. Davis, and Greenough.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller

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Resolutions Adopted at Annual Meeting

December 2, 1929.

James Savage Stone, A.B., A.M., M.D.

James Savage Stone. Born in Newton, Massachusetts, in 1868, son of Lincoln Ripley and Harriet (Hoges) Stone; graduated from the Newton High School in 1885; A. B. from Harvard University in 1889, M.D. and A. M. degrees from Harvard University in 1894; died at his home in Framingham Centre, on September 28th, 1929.

As a young man Dr. Stone served his country as a member of the United States Geological Survey in Texas during the year immediately following his graduation from college. In the World War he again became a servant of the nation as Surgical Chief of the United States Base Hospital at Camp Jackson, South Carolina.

He served his community constantly and in many ways,- as Surgical House officer at the Massachusetts General and Boston Lying-in Hospitals; as wise practitioner with a bent for Surgery; as the leading, almost the pioneer, specialist in children's surgery; as Junior Assistant Surgeon and eventually as Chief Surgeon of the Boston Children's Hospital; as Instructor in Surgery at the Harvard Medical School; as Consulting Surgeon to the Boston Floating Hospital; as Trustee of the Boston Children's Hospital; as President of the Massachusetts Medical Society for two successive terms. The Council of the Society felt it to be so important that the policies which as President he had inaugurated should be continued, that a new salaried office was created, that of Executive Secretary to the President. Dr. Stone was appointed to this office and held it up to the time of his death.

Surely this is a full measure of service if we consider only the titular positions which he held, but the measure constantly overflowed. To eachtask, to each office he brought an energy, a devotion, a wisdom, an optimism, a kindness, and a quaint sense of humor; qualitites rarely combined in an individual. He felt intensely. He spoke and wrote with conviction. Action followed conviction. Loyalty and good judgment lived happily together. He was the beloved physician because of his jovial friendliness. He was the wise counsellor because of his acute diagnostic ability, his positiveness of advice and his richness of available experience. His hate of sham beget righteous indignation. His love of children made him capable of great gentleness. When the concentation of his life demanded relaxation, he sought it in open spaces and wooded ttrails. Nature numbered him among her affectionate, and strangely enough, among her rather shy children. Courage sorely tried by a lingering incurable illness never wavered.

We can hardly write of Jim Stone in a formal way, for he was an essentially informal and an always approachable person. He could preside over important bodies of men with dignity and effectiveness, but we shall also remember his laughter as he swapped stories with a small group of friends. "In the end, nothing survives except personal character." James Savage Stone's personal character will survive. Every member of the Boston Surgical Society genuinely regrets his passing and is grateful to him for the strength of his endeavor and for the extreme usefulness of his life.

On motion duly seconded and carried, the Society voted

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to incorporate this memorial to Dr. Stone in its records and to send a copy to his widow, Selma Bowditch Stone, as an expression of its deep sympathy.

W. E. Ladd

E. A. Codman

R. B. Greenough

Ninety-first Meeting

The ninety-first meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the Carney Hospital on Monday, January 13. '30. There were present Drs. G. Cutler, Fraser, Homans, Hutchins, Loder, Lund, Miller, C. G. Mixter, Munro, Newton, Reggio, Rushmore, Sowles, Stevens, Walker and Daland.

There were interesting operations by the members of the surgical staff including Dr. Lund, Phaneuf, Fraser, Brown and Graves and also demonstration of the many interesting cases.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Miller.
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Ninety-second Meeting

Record of the ninety-second meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, February 3rd. '30

There were present: Drs. Greenough, Miller, Simmons, Richardson, Young, Davis, Hartwell, S. Fraser, A. Fraser, Meigs, Binney, Horrax, Rushmore, Reggio, Osgood, Graves, Leland, Codman, Lahey, Wilson, Briggs, C. Mixter, Barney, Mc Kittrick, Chute, Phaneuf, Mahony, Jones, Loder, Sowles, Smith-Petersen, Lanman, Ladd, Stevens and

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Report of treasurer for past year was read and accepted.

Resolutions on the death of Dr. Thomas E. Chandler were presented by Dr. J. Emmons Briggs, chairman of the committee.

An appreciative letter from Dr. W. W. Keene of Philadelphia was read.

The five new members of the Society were then welcomed to membership.

The papers of the evening were then presented:
The first being "The value of prophylactic radiation treatment following operation." Dr. Simmons presented a very interesting discussion of the subject and in conclusion felt that the arguments for and against this treatment were very well balanced. Dr. Holmes, in his discusssion, said that he had no strong feeling one way or other. Dr. Pfohler and Dr. Evans strongly recommend this but give such large doses that the skin is injured. Several other membersdiscussed the paper and Dr. Greenough was on the whole against the pre-operative and post-operative use

Dr. Leland then presented a paper on "Radium treatment in primary cancer of the cervix uteri." He gave a large number of statistics which are too detailed to give here. His conclusions were that cancer of the cervix radiation has supplanted surgical operations except in rare cases of adeoncarcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma. Dr. William Graves first discussed the paper and agreed with Dr. Leland. Dr. Meigs continued the discussion and present 55 cases at the M.G.H. 18 left at the end of 2½ years. He mentioned the proposed use of special radium containers which could stay in place 6 days.

Dr. William Duane present the third paper on "General remarks on x-ray therapy." His remarks were entirely devoted to discussion of the physics of x-ray and he mentioned the new unit, the roentgen, which is being worked out and of which 1,000 units are approximately equivalent to one erythema dose.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Miller
Richard H. Miller, secretary

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Resolution

WHEREAS: the sudden death of our esteemed colleague and friend Dr. Thomas Evans Chandler has robbed us of the commradship of a professional brother, in the height of his career and usefulness, we wish to record our sense of deep grief and personal loss, but also to deplore the untimely departure of one so helpful and useful to the community in which he had labored and rendered beneficent service.

RESOLVED : That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family and that these resolution be spread upon the records of the Boston Surgical Society and that a copy be sent to his widow.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Emmons Briggs
Chairman.

Thomas Evans Chandler, M.D.

Dr. Thomas E. Chandler of 117 Clinton Road, Brookline, died at his home on December 2nd, from coronary thrombosis. On the evening preceding his death, he had operated on a patient for acute appendicitis and had made a professional visit in Winchester. On his return, he retired in usual health, read for about an hour, was seized with pre-cordial pain, summoned his family physician, who prescribed for him and within a few moments,he died suddenly.
Thus ended his life in the zenith of his professional career, loved, honored and respected by his medical associated, by a multitude of grateful patients and a host of friends.

Dr. Chandler was born in Brownsburg, Indiana, July 21, 1871; received his early education in his native state; entered Boston University School of Medicine in 1896 and received his degree in 1900. He served as interne in the Massachusetts Homoeopathic Hospital and was soon appointed Assistant Surgeon. His ability was quickly recognized and he was rapidly advanced to the position of surgeon. His surgical judgment was excellent, his manual dexterity exceptional, his capacity for hard work, unexcelled.

He was the head of the surgical section of the unit formed by the Massachusetts Homoeopathic Hospital, which later was designated as Base Hospital 44. His unit was stationed at Camp Dix, N.J. Dr. Chandler's surgical work in Meves Hospital Centre, and as head of a surgical team in the advanced sector, was recognized as of the highest order.

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Following the armistice, he was in command of a base hospital which he eventually demobilized in May 1919. He later formed Evacuation Hospital No. 5 in connection with the organized reserves becoming its commanding officer with the title of Lieutenant Colonel and served until the expiration of his time limit last June.

Dr. Chandler was a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, member of the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, Boston Chamber of Commerce and Phi Chi Medical Fraternity. He was associate professor of surgery in Boston University School of Medicine, surgeon at the Massachusetts Homoeopathic Hospital, Consulting surgeon Winchester Hospital and Melrose Hospital and a member of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Homoeopathic Hospital and a member of the University Club.

He is survived by his widow and three sons.

Ninety-third Meeting

Record of the ninety-third meeting of the Boston Surgical Soceity held at the Beth Israel Hospital on Monday, March 10th, 1930

There were present; Drs. Seaver, Leland, Greenough, Sowles, Phaneuf, Munro, Davis, Ladd, Binney, Barney, Whittemore, Miller, W. J. Mixter, Homans, Lanman, Pemberton, Hutchins, Ober, Balch, Chute, E. G. Crabtree, Quincy, Loder, Rushmore, O'Neil, Reggio.

At 10:00 o'clock there were 4 operation which were very interesting and which afforded the Society to see the excellent operating rooms at the new hospital.

Then followed a dry clinic at which the following papers were read:

"Indications for Utero-tubography." Dr. Shapiro

"Renal Tumors in Children." Dr. Prather

"Recent Experiences in Treatment of Mycotic infections with Ethyle Iodide by Inhalation Method." Dr. Swartz

The meeting was extremely interesting and well attended.

Respectfully submitted.

Richard H. Miller

Secretary.

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Ninty-Fourth Meeting

Record of the ninety-fourth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, April 7th, 1930.

There were present Doctors: Porter, Simmons, Greenough, Miller, Scudder, Ladd, Binney, Cheever, Codman, Osgood, C. G. Mixter, Wilson, Soutter, Briggs, Reggio, Smith-Petersen, Chute, Lanman, Sowles, Daland, Hermann, Phaneuf, Clute, G. D. Cutler Seaver, Brewster.

The President, Dr. Robert B. Greenough, presided.

The first paper was presented by Dr. Charles L. Scudder on "The Non-Operative Treatment of Fractures." He emphasized the several points which are of prime importance--the necessity of early treatment, the reposition of fragments, the retention of fragments in position, the restoration of the individual, and his return to society. He showed many interesting and instructive slides, and stressed the necessity for more active educational work in the treatment of fractures. He discussed briefly the comparative merits of operative and non-operative treatment.

Dr. M. N. Smith-Petersen present a paper on "Internal Fixation by Means of Flanged Nail for Fractures of the Neck of the Femur." This was a most interesting report of 24 cases, illustrated with slides. It was a painstaking analysis of a series of difficult cases in which a valuable new procedure was presented

Dr. A. W. Reggio presented a paper on "End Results in the Closed Treatment of Fractures of the Neck of the Femur." This was an instructive report, showing the results in a large number of cases, and the speaker gave an interesting demonstration of the difficulties and pit-falls which occur in the interpretation of statistics.

In the discussion which followed Dr. Codman spoke of the importance of careful follow-up records. Dr. P. D. Wilson spoke of the difficulties he had had with the Whitman operation, and commended Dr. Smith-Petersen's procedure. Dr. Hermann and Dr. R. B. Osgood closed the discussion.

Respectively submitted

Richard H. Miller

Richard H. Miller.

Ninety-fifth Meeting

Record of ninety-fifth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc., held at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital on Monday morning, November 3rd, 1930.

There were present Drs. Osgood, Lanman, Phaneuf, Brewster, Vincent, Hutchins, Mahoney, O'Neil, Miller, Cushing, Homans, Cheever, Horrax, Quinby, Newton, Briggs, Ladd, Munro, Loder, F. B. Lund and Lahey.

The following demonstrations, all of which were of great interest, were then given:

Embolectomy of Brachial Artery. Dr. Homans
Significance of Tumors Arising from Undescended Testicles. Dr. Quinby.
Demonstration of a patient who in the course of 11 hospital admissions has had 1179 grams of tumor removed from cranial cavity.--Dr. Cushing
Carcinoma of the Stomach. Dr. Cheever.
X-ray demonstration. Dr. Sosman

Recurrent Meningeoma. Drs. Cushing and Horrax.
Tumor of the Sigmoid; carcinoma or diverticulitis. Dr. Cheever
Pelvic Tumor of Testicular Origin. Dr. Quinby
Cholecystectomy for Cholelithiasis. Dr. Homans.
Adenoma of the Thyroid. Dr. Newton.

Respectively submitted.
Richard H. Miller
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Ninety-sixth Meeting

Record of the Annual meeting of the Boston Surgical Society Inc. held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, December 1, 1930.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 P.M., the president, Dr. Greenough, in the chair. The following members were present: Drs. Greenough, Lund, Miller, Homans, Sever, Cutler, Lanman, Reggio, Cheever, Chute, Jones, Fraser, Walker, C. G. Mixter, A.McK Fraser, Pemberton, Meigs, Barney, Whittemore, Brewster, Horrax, Hermann, Ladd, Wilson, Smith-Petersen, Chute, Sowles, Davis, Young, Scudder, Allen, Binney, Leland, Hutchins, Daland, Quinby, Soutter, Phaneuf, Simmons, Hayward Cushing, F. Newton, Stevens, Churchill, Horace Packard, Rushmore and as guests: Drs. Edward Archibald of Montreal, F. T. Lord, Donald King, and Langdon Parsons.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. The treasurer's report was presented and accepted.

It was voted that annual dues for the ensuing year be $5.00.

The following officers were then elected:

President--Dr. F. B. Lund
Vice President--Dr. Stephen Rushmore
Secretary-Treasurer--Dr. Richard H. Miller

Member of the Council
for five years---Dr. Frank H. Lahey

The following were then elected members of the Society:

Dr. E. Granville Crabtree
Dr. V. H. Kazajian
Dr. Arthur Kimpton
Dr. Charles C. Lund
Dr. Donald Macomber
Dr. George L. Tobey

The paper of the evening was then presented by Dr. Edward Archibald, on "The mode of Causation of Post-Operative Pulmonary Complications."

Dr. Archibald reviewed the opinions of the two chief "~~cramps~~ camps", the "aspirationists" and the "embolists", and stated that he, and his colleagues in Montreal, favored the aspiration theory. He produced evidence to show that, even in normal sleep, secretions trickle from the pharynax down into the bronchi, even to the alveoli. He emphasized the importance of muscular spasm of the bronchioles, with lack of aeration and atelectasis. He felt that although pulmonary complications may of course occur after local and spinal anaesthesia, the administration of ether is an

important factor in their causation. He spoke of the value of extracting the obstructing plugs, in some cases, through the bronchoscope. He referred to the importance of the symbiosis of spirochaetes and cocci in the production of the lesions. He presented a number of interesting and instructive slides.

The discussion was opened by Dr. Wyman Whittemore, who also believes in the aspiration theory. He mentioned the work of Mueller, who has studied numbers of cases and has presented what he calls the normal post-operative pulmonary changes, which he does not regard as complications unless they present symptoms. Dr. Whittemore believes that proper aeration of the lungs after operation is very important.

Dr. E. D. Churchill in discussion stated his belief in the aspiration theory, and that bronchial obstruction is the chief cause of collapse.

Dr. Frederick T. Lord agreeing with the previous speakers, mentioned the importance of frequent turning of the patient in bed, the cutting down of the use of morphine and other respiratory depressants, and spoke of the value of the work being done with inhalations of C O_2.

Dr. Donald King reported 3900 cases of anaesthesia in 1929, and stated that the highest incidence of pulmonary complications was in those who had been given spinal anaesthesia, and the lowest in those with local. In three years there were only 15 deaths due purely to pulmonary complications. He described the work now being done at the M.G.H. with C O_2.

Dr. Binney spoke of the influence of tight bandaging of the abdomen as a hindrance to proper respiration.

Dr. John Homans spoke of his belief in the aspiration theory.

Dr. Archibald, in closing, spoke of certain important preventive measures, notably, proper mouth hygiene, the keeping of the mouth and air passages as dry as possible, the avoidance of chilling, the doing of the operation with the head dependent, and the post-operative use of C O_2 inhalations.

The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller Sec.

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Ninety-seventh Meeting.

Record of the ninety-seventh meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc. held at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital at 10.00 A. M. on Monday, January 5, 1931.

There were present Drs. Reggio, Miller, Crabtree, Lanman, Smith-Petersen, Pemberton, Macomber, Phaneuf, Homans, Briggs, Cotton, Lund, Davis, Kimpton, Cheever, W. J. Mixter, Churchill, Hutchins, Ladd, and Mahoney.

Several operations were performed by the members of the staff and they proved to be very interesting and instructive.

The following papers were presented:

"Fractures of the Hip." Dr. A. G. Howard.

"Splenic Anemia" Dr. Charles T. Howard.
"Buerger's Disease"

"Echinoccus Cysts of Liver and Kidney" Dr. J. Emmons Briggs.

Respectfully submitted.

Richard H. Mullin Sec.

Ninety-eighth Meeting.

Record of the ninety-eighth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, February 2,1931.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 P.M.,the president Dr. F.B.Lund in the chair. The following members were present: Drs.Ladd, Homans,Cutler, Binney, C. Mixter, Davis, F.B.Lund, Cheever, Jones,Rushmore, Walker, Scudder, Lahey, Brewster, Meigs, Daland, McKettrick,Kimpton, Loder, Phaneuf, Porter,Codman, Mahoney, Herman, Clute, Simmons, Hutchins, Leland, Horrax, Stevens, Newton, Lanman, A. Fraser, and as guest Dr. Fordyce St. John of New York.

It was voted that the reading of the minutes of the previous two meetings be omitted.

The paper of the evening was then presented by Dr. Fordyce St. John of New York, on "Gastric Surgery".

He reports 1252 gastric and duodenal ulcer cases during a period of the past 15 years at the Presbyterian Hospital in New York. The first period of 5 years, 39% of these cases had surgical interference; the next 5 years, 35%, and the past 5 years 12%. Twenty-nine surgeons operated on these cases and reported their mortality and results. The joint mortality was higher than realized in a general hospital, the first period, was 17%, the second 15% and the last 7%, including all types of operations. Postoperative mortality for partial gastrectomy 20.2%, gastro-enterostomy 13%, of this mortality 68% was pulmonary of some form. All types of operations showed about the same results at the end of 5 years, through their very careful and extreme follow up system.

He showed lantern slides of all these statistics and their follow up system which was most instructive and interesting.

Dr. Jones, opened the discussion and emphasized the fact that something must be done in many of these cases so they can work in comfort, medical treatment to be tried first, the old chronic cases show the best results from surgery. Partial gastrectomy is the final resort of all of this surgery and should be left to the hands of those only who are capable of doing it.

Dr.Lahey,reported 900 ulcer cases 12% operated on. Alkalosis must be relieved,there is no single operation for ulcers, each case requires a definite type of treatment, there is a definite place for partial gastrectomy. Type of operation depends on the removability of the ulcer and degrees of risk. Essential

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that in the follow up system that all work together and agree what is relief and what is failure.

Dr. Walker, reported 110 cases from 1919 to 1927 non-obstructing ulcers all having gastro enterostomy, 7.2% mortality. Eighty-nine cases were treated, 9 had died, 45% deemed well, 20% improved and 25% not improved.

Respectfully submitted,

A. McK. Fraser M.

Sec. pro tem

Ninety-ninth Meeting.

Record of the ninety-ninth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, held at the Massachusetts General Hospital on Monday, March 2nd at 10.00 A.M. 1931

The following papers and demonstrations were given:

10 A.M. Haemorrhagic Tendencies in Jaundice. Dr. Linton

10.10 The Administration of Saline Solutions. Dr. Fish

10.25 Demonstration of Cases. Dr. Davis

10.35 Pulmonary Embolism. Dr. Churchill

10.50 Primary Carcinoma of the Ureter. Dr. Barney

11.00 Demonstration by the Tumor Clinic. Dr. Simmons.

At 11.15 there were numerous operations of interest, performed by members of the staff.

Respectfully submitted.

Richard H. Miller Jr. Sec.

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One-hundredth Meeting.

The one-hundredth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc. held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, April 6, 1931.

The meeting was called to order at 8.15 by the Vice-president, Dr. Rushmore.

Minutes of the previous meeting omitted.

The first paper of the evening was by Dr. W. E. Ladd on "Congenital Obstruction of the Duodenum". He stated that there were two classes of this type, intrinsic or intramural and extrinsic or extramural, the extrinsic usually due to incomplete rotation of the bowel. In some cases with failure of rotation there is large volvulus of the intestines as far as the middle of the transverse colon. In duodenal obstruction the vomitus contains bile and there is no pyloric tumor and the diagnosis can be confirmed by x-ray. Ten cases reported were successfully treated by operation consisting of:

1. Posterior gastroenterostomy.
2. Duodeno-jejunostomy.
3. Untwisting of the whole tumor.

Mortality is high without surgery. Of the author's 10 cases 7 had been cured. Dr. Blackfan, in his discussion, said that the most important fact was early recognition, and both mothers and doctors fail to recognize early danger signs. Early G.I. upset should be considered as very serious. He states that of 3,000 admissions to the Infant's Hospital two-thirds were found to be feeding problems and treated as unimportant, but were important. The causes for upset were: 1. Infection. 2. Congenital Anomalies. 3. Hygiene, 4. Food. The discussion was continued by Dr. C. G. Crabtree and Dr. Rushmore.

The second paper was by Dr. Thomas Lanman on "Experiences with Uroselectan". He analyzed a number of cases and stated that it is a valuable adjunct in making diagnosis but has certain limitations. It must be used only by trained men and in certain instances is very valuable. Use of it in unselected cases must be discouraged. This paper was discussed by Drs. Quinby, Daland, E. G. Crabtree and Hicks.

The third paper was by Dr. George D. Cutler on "Idopathic Peritonitis". He stated that the title means that we do not know the cause of it but in most instances the cases which we cannot explain are due to: 1. Infection. 2. Fallopian tubes. It is caused by the pneumoccus or streptococcus and they get into the peritoneal cavity through the G.I. and upper respiratory tracts. These cases have very sudden onset and history of previous infection. The mortality is very high especially if the peritonitis is diffuse. Question of operation is a difficult one to decide and if one can be sure that it is idiopathic, without any symptoms like acute appendicitis, operation is best delayed. The paper was discussed by Dr. Cochrane who agreed with the statement about the value of postponing operation.

Resepectfully submitted,

Special Meeting

Special meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held in the Georgian Room at the Hotel Statler on Wednesday evening, June 10, 1931. The Vice-president, Dr. Rushmore, presided and there were also on the platform the president, Dr. F. B. Lund and the guest of honor, Professor George Grey Turner.

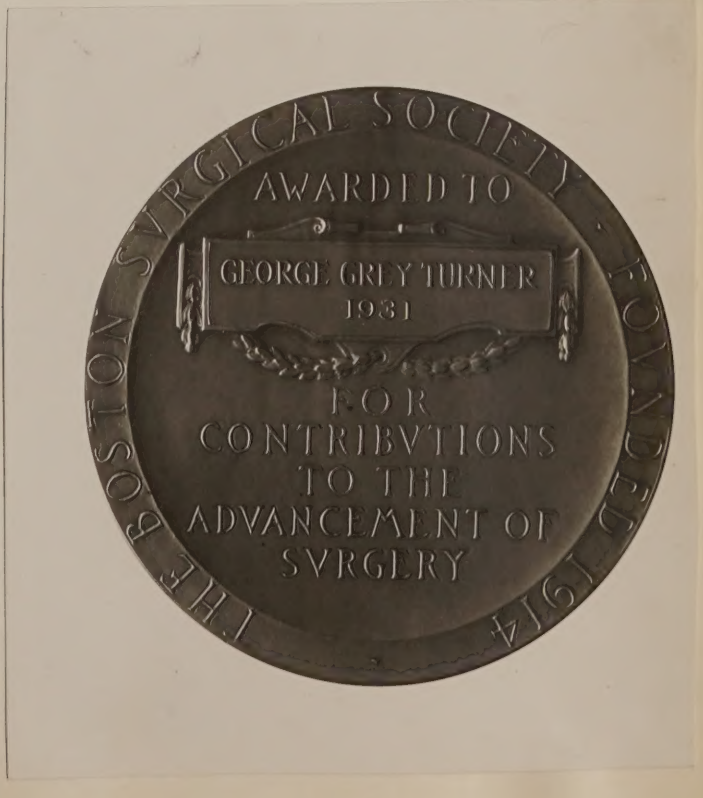
There were in all about 150 present, including guests, the members of the Society and ladies.

Dr. Rushmore made an eloquent speech in which he reviewed the history and purpose of the Boston Surgical Society and then introduced Dr. Lund. Dr. Lund, in a very graceful speech, presented Professor George Grey Turner with the Bigelow Medal. Professor Turner responded and following his speech of acceptance delivered an oration on "Some Experiences with Surgery of the Oesophagus". This address was extremely interesting and was profusely illustrated with lantern slides. The address was too long and complicated to review in detail here.

The hall was comfortably filled and the meeting was a great success.

Respectfully submitted.

Richard H. Miller, secretary



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One-hundred 1st Meeting.

The one-hundred 1st meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Boston City Hospital at 10 A. M. on Monday morning, November 2, 1931.

The members present were: Drs. Pemberton, Miller, F. B. Lund, C. C. Lund, Cochrane, Hermann, Kimpton, Cutler, Reggio, O'Niel, Churchill, Binney, Lahey, Clute, Hutchins, Quinby, Macomber, Stevens and Loder.

From 10 A.M. to 11 A.M. a Dry Clinic was held in which the following men took part:

Dr. R. C. Cochrane--Intra-thoracic goitre.
Dr. H. Binney--Certain thoracic surgical conditions.
Dr. A. R. Kimpton--Gas bacillus infection of the arm and leg.
Case of multiple operations.
Dr. O. J. Hermann--Recurrent dislocation shoulder--repaired by the Nicola method.
Recurrent dislocation of patella--repaired by combined methods of Campbell and Goldthwaite.

Dr. J. J. Hepburn--Aneurysm of the carotid.
Dr. W. Morrison----Anterio-venus femoral aneursym with quadruple ligation.
Perforated ulcer of stomach with excision of ulcer.
Dr. A. Riley ----- Malignant tumor of the testicle.

From 11 A.M. to 12 A.M. Operative Clinic.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller, secretary.

One Hundred Second Meeting.

The one hundred second meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, December 7, 1931 at 8 P.M. President Lund was in the chair.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was omitted.

The annual report of the treasurer was presented and accepted.

It was voted to amend the by-laws as follows:
1. To change the first sentence of Section 6, Article 2, to read as follows: The Council shall present at the December meeting of each year a list of its nominations and this list shall be sent by the Secretary to every member before the meeting.

2. To change the first sentence of Section 1, Article 3, to read a s follows: Members shall pay annual dues, covering each calendar year, the amount of which for each year shall be determined by vote of the Society at the December meeting.

Professor George Grey Turner of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England was unanimously elected an honorary member.

It was voted that the amount of annual dues for the ensuing year should be $5.00.

The president appointed a committee consisting of Drs. Balch, Quinby and Allen to present resolutions on the death of Dr. C. A. Porter. He also appointed a committee consisting of Drs. Cheever, Binney and Walker to present resolutions on the deaths of George W. Gay and Walter C. Howe.

The paper of the evening was then presented by Dr. Eugene H.Pool of New York on "The Surgery of the Spleen". This was a very masterly review of the subject and covered all phases of disease of the spleen, particularly with reference to their surgical aspects. The discussion was opened by Dr. Kenneth Blackfan, (by invitation) Dr. Arthur Kimpton, Dr. George Minot (by invitation) and Dr. Beth Vincent.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller, secretary.

At the above Meeting the following were elected to Active Membership,- Doctors Cattell, Colby, Harmer, Hodgson, Wm. Morrison, Augustus Riley, Edward Sheehan, Joseph Shortell, Grantley Taylor, James White.

By Thomas H. Lanman
for R. H. M.

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One Hundred Third Meeting.

The one hundred third meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Free hospital for Women on Monday, morning January 4, 1932. Following interesting operations which were performed by Dr. Graves, Dr. Edward Sheehan, Dr. John Rock, Dr. Pemberton and Dr. George Smith, the members adjourned to the Fearing Laboratory where there was a very interesting talk on the recent advances in the study of internal secretions of the ovary, by Dr. George Smith.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller, Secretary.

One Hundred Fourth Meeting.

The one hundred fourth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held on Monday evening, February 1, 1932 at 8.30 P.M. This was a public meeting to which all members of the profession and their wives, were invited. Special personal invitations were sent to all physicians in the Norfolk, Suffolk and Middlesex-south Districts. There was an attendance of between 400-500, comfortably filling the hall. The organ played for a half hour preceding the opening of the meeting. The vicepresident, Dr. Rushmore, presided and in a very graceful speech reviewed the history of the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal and then introduced Dr. Lund, the president. Dr. Lund then made a very felicitous speech, in which he presented the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal to Dr. John M. T. Finney of Baltimore. Dr. Finney responded with an address on "Changing Methods in Surgery". This address was extremly interesting and consisted largely in a story of the old days in the Harvard Medical School and at the Massachusetts General Hospital. This oration will be found printed in full in the New England Journal of Medicine, February 11, 1932 page 263.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller, Secretary.

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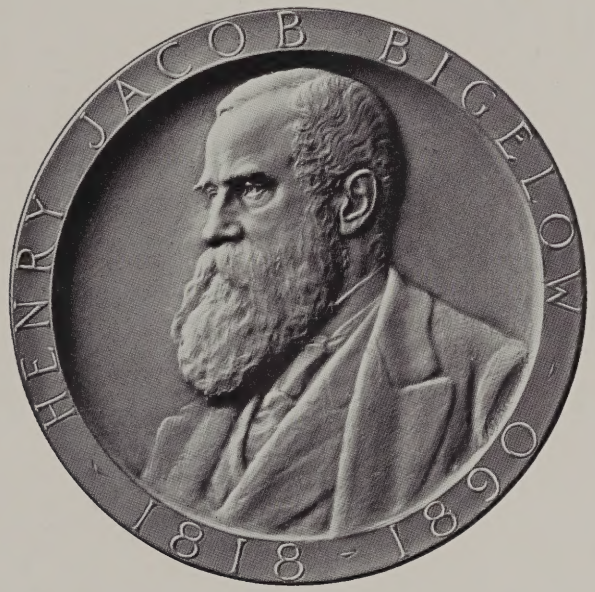
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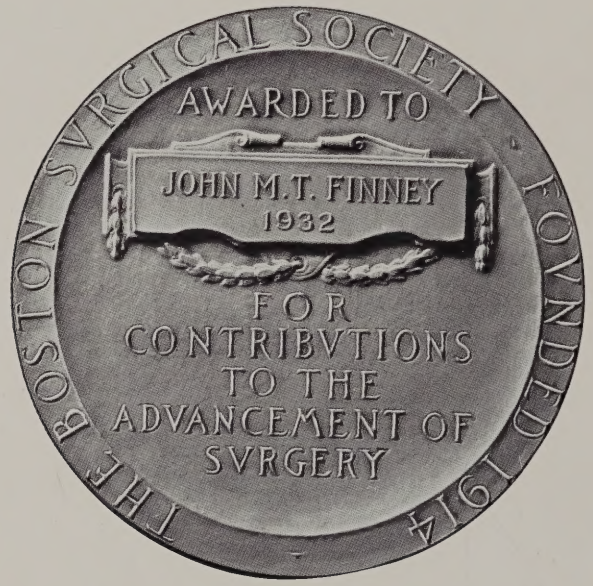
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One Hundred Fifth Meeting.

The one hundred fifth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society, Inc. was held at the New England Deaconess and Palmer Hospital on Monday morning, March 14, 1932.

Members present were: Allen, Cheever, Churchill, Cutler, A.McK. Fraser, Hermann, Horrax, Hutchins, Lahey, Lanman, Loder, F. Lund, Mc Kittrick, Miller, Ober, Pemberton, Reggio, Sever, Phaneuf, Sowles, Walker, Kimpton, Cattell and Taylor.

8.00 A.M. The Lahey Clinic--Routine Surgical operations.
9.30 A.M. Dr. Joslin, Dr. Root, Dr. Mc Kittrick, Dr. Pratt--Diabetes and Surgical Complications.
10.00 A.M. Lahey Clinic--Case Presentations.
Dr. Lahey: Pyloroplasty
Dr. Lahey & Dr. Hicks: Ureteral Transplantation.
Dr. Lahey & Dr.Hicks: Hemi-Nephrectomy.
Dr. Cattell: Bilateral iliac embolectomy.
Dr. Cattell: Carcinoma Colon and Rectum.
Dr. Jordan: Gastro intestinal cases.
Dr. Lahey: Thyrocardiac.
Dr. Overholt: Sub diaphragmatic Abscess.
Chest wall Tumor.
Dr. Hoover: Laryngectomy.
Dr. Jordan: Total Gastrectomy.

10.45 A.M. Dr. Warren: Presentation-Pathological Specimens.

11.00 A.M. Dr. Grantley Taylor: Follow-up on Carcinoma of Breast.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller, secretary.

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GEORGE W. GAY, M.D.

1842-1931.

George W. Gay, the oldest and one of the most deservedly honored charter members of the Boston Surgical Society died on Memorial Day, 1931, at his home in Chestnut Hill. His long, active, and useful professional life covered the entire span of the development of modern surgery, from the pre-antiseptic era to the present.

His earliest Colonial ancestor came to the Bay Colony in 1630 and later helped found the town of Contentment, - now Dedham. His father, Williard Gay, settled on a farm in Swanzey, New Hampshire, where the son was born on January 14,1842. Denied by circumstances a college education, he apprenticed himself for a year to Dr. George B. Twitchell of Keene, and entered the Harvard Medical School in 1864. During his course he secured clinical experience by a year of apprenticeship at the State Almshouse Hospital on Rainsford Island, and by a surgical interneship at the Boston City Hospital, - then but three years in existence, which he finished in 1868, simultaneously with his graduation in medicine. He was at once appointed to conduct the newly established out-patient department and entered also upon private practice.

Thus began a long life-time of useful, vigorous and fruitful service as visiting surgeon to the City Hospital, as teacher of surgery at the Harvard Medical School, as private practitioner and as a leader of the profession in its public relations. As a surgeon he was conspicuous for wisdom and skill; he was progressive, bold or conservative as the occasion demanded. He performed many (then) unusual operations such as ligation of the innominate, carotid and subclavian arteries for aneurysm, and oesophagotomy for the removal of foreign bodies. As a teacher he was impressive, lucid, epigrammatic and eminently practical. He believed that the control of clinical material imposes a privilege and a duty to share with others the education

which it gives, and accordingly he wrote, taught and engaged in discussion wherever medical men were gathered. His contributions to current medical literature, to the Medical and Surgical Reports of the Boston City Hospital, and to surgical text books were numerous and important. He believed in a strong organization of the medical profession, as the means by which it may best preserve its standards and serve the public, and was therefore a vigorous supporter of medical associations, especially the Massachusetts Meedical Society which he served as President in 1906-8. He was a member of all our local Societies, and of the American Surgical Association and British Medical Association, and attended abroad many meetings of the International Medical Congress.

A serious illness in late middle life necessitated the relinquishment of the responsibilities of active practice but gave him more time to devote to the public interests of the profession in council meeting, at legistlative hearings or as trustee of public institutions. More than anything else he had at heart the welfare of the profession, and in the pursuit of this end he showed a willingness to employ his strength and energy, leisure and resources to a degree which cannot fail to be an inspiration to us younger colleagues. He established lectureships in ethics and medical economics in two leading medical schools. His estate will eventually be devoted in a large part to medical education.

Dr. Gay was twice married; - in 1868 to Miss Mary E. Hutchinson of Milford, N.H. who lived but a year or two, and then to Miss Grace G. Hathorne of Boston, who survives him. Denied the advent of children, he lavished his store of devotion and loyalty upon his chosen profession in all of its various aspects.

Such is an all too brief and prosaic account of the life of an honorable, rugged, lovable man. It is in the review of such a life, or better still in the personal friendship which many of us were privileged to enjoy that we younger men may discover the desire and ambition to hand down the same traditions to our successors.

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David Cheever,
Horace Binney,
Irving J. Walker.

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WALTER C. HOWE, M.D.

1872-1931.

Dr. Howe, who died suddenly on August 21, 1931 of cerebral hemorrhage was a charter member of the Boston Surgical Society. Born in Dedham in 1872 of a long line of New England ancestry, he prepared at Phillips Academy, Andover, and following in the foot-steps of his father, graduated from Amherst College in 1894, receiving later the degree of Master of Arts. Then followed four years in the Harvard Medical School, where he received the degree cum laude in 1898, and later surgical interneships in the Children's and in the Boston City Hospitals.

His personal qualities and his professional attainments won early recognition, as he was soon appointed to the surgical staff of the City Hospital, where he served for fourteen years, and to the Department of Surgery in the Harvard Medical School. He practiced general surgery in Boston, and assisted his older colleague, Dr. E. H. Nichols, in the care of Harvard athletic teams. He was, as a matter of course, a member of local medical societies, being an original member of the New England and Boston Surgical Societies, as well as of the American College of Surgeons.

As a surgeon he was well prepared by reading, study and reflection to meet the requirements and emergencies of practice; he was skillful, accurate, painstaking, consciencious and courageous in his work. Shy and modest in temperament, he was always loath to thrust himself forward and sometimes appeared, to those who did not know him, taciturn or even indifferent. He shrank from the presentation of papers and from participation in discussions at medical meetings, lest such action savor of self-advertisement, yet he was always ready to undertake, from motives of public spirit, duties which were thrust upon him, such as the secretaryship of the New England Surgical Society, of the Suffolk District Medical

Society, and of the Harvard Graduate School of Medicine. In the early days of the World War, before our entry, he would have gone with the first Harvard Surgical Unit under the leadership of Dr. E. H. Nichols, had not an attack of pleurisy forced his withdrawal. With a characteristic sense of duty he saw that his job was to help maintain at its high standard the surgical work at the City Hospital, and this he did, handicapped by insufficient help, throughout those trying days. After the War, his health made necessary his retirement from the Hospital in order that he might devote himself to his practice. It was probably one of his disappointments that the necessity for limiting his activities and a prevailing impression that he had tuberculosis - which was not the fact - tended to interfere with his opportunity for usefulness.

In his life outside his profession he was singularly happy. He married Miss Ely of Dedham who survives him with a son and daughter. He loved the company of young people, and during the years of his supervision of Harvard athletics, his home, of a Sunday evening, was the gathering place of boys who helped prepare a chafing-dish supper and then, seated on the floor before the fire, listened to his droll stories. In the long vacations enjoined by ill-health he indulged his love of Nature and of sport, among the lakes and rivers of Cape Breton. He was scholarly and cultivated in his tastes; he had loved the classics as a student and re-read the Greek and Latin poets in his later leisure; he made a collection of the translations of Horace and his home was filled with old prints, old pewter, Washingtoniana and antique furniture. As another biographer has said, his was a fine and sensitive nature hidden beneath an impassive exterior. Our Society, and society at large, can ill afford to lose so prematurely a man of such fine fibre.

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David Cheever,
Horace Binney,
Irving J. Walker.

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One Hundred and Sixth Meeting

State meeting of the Society was held on May 23, 1932 at 8.15 P.M. at the St. Botolph Club. Dr. Fred Lund presiding.

The minutes of the previous meeting were omitted.

Resolutions were then presented by the committee in regard to the Late Dr. Walter C. Howe and Dr. George W. Gay. It was moved and voted that these resolutions be ~~drawn up in~~ spread upon the records of the Society.

Dr. W. J. Mixter was elected a member of the Executive Council to serve for five years from December 1931. This election should have taken place at the December meeting but through an error of the secretary it was omitted.

The paper of the evening was then presented by Dr. Carl Hedblom, Professor of Surgery, University of Illinois College of Medicine, on The Surgical Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis. Dr. Hedblom gave a very excellent presentation and showed some pictures of striking and successful results. His paper was well received and proved to be very helpful and stimulating. It was discussed by Dr. Wyman Whittemore, Dr. E. D. Churchill, Dr. Cleaveland Floyd and Dr. John B. Hawes. Dr. Hawes stated that this was a very valuable procedure, which is not well enough appreciated in New England and urged that it be given wide-spread publicity.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Miller

Richard H. Miller, secretary.

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Executive Council Meeting

Meeting of the Executive Council was held on Tuesday, September 27th at 5 P.M. at the office of Dr. Fred. Lund, 319 Longwood Avenue, Boston.

The following members were present: Drs. Lund, Rushmore, Miller, Loder, Lahey and Mixter.

It was voted to place the following men on the Senior List: J. Emmons Briggs, Frederic J. Cotton, Harvey Cushing, Lincoln Davis, Robert B. Greenough, Robert Osgood, Edward Richardson.

It was voted to put Elliott Cutler on the active list and removed him from the senior list.

It was voted to nominate the following men for election to the Society.

William Brown
E. P. Hayden
George Keenan
Henry Marble
~~Horatio Rogers~~
David Scannell

Harlan Newton and Franc Ingraham were considered but still put off for another year.

It was voted that the dues for the ensuing year would be $5.00.

It was left that the Presdient would appoint a Nominating Committee and an Auditing Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Miller
Richard H. Miller, secretary

One-Hundred Seventh Meeting

The one-hundred seventh meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Beth Isreal Hospital on Monday, November 7, 1932.

Members present were: Chute, Miller, Sheehan, White, Walker Lahey, Vincent, Allen, Crabtree, O'Neil, Hutchins, F.B. Lund, Simmons, Churchill, Morrison, Cotton, C.G.Mixter, Reggio, Cheever.

After several operations, which were interesting, there followed a dry clinic, of which is following a copy of the program:

Dr. Fine: Origin of Intestinal Gases

Dr. Bloomberg: Prevention of Scar Tissue in Peripheral Nerve Suture.

Dr. Mixter and Dr. Hermanson: Massive Hemorrhage from Peptic Ulcer.

Cases of Rectal Stricture.

Dr. Bearse: Regional Ileitis.

Dr. Starr: Peri-colic Abscess Secondary to Carcinoma of Colon.

Dr. Barron: Familial Tendency to Buerger's Disease.

Dr. Shapira: Spontaneous Intraperitoneal Hemorrhage from Uterine Fibroid.

Dr. Nason: Postoperative Abdominal Wound Rupture.

Dr. Kunian: Some Surgical Lesions of the Spleen.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Miller
Richard H. Miller, secretary

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One hundred Eighth Meeting

The annual meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the St.Botolph Club on Monday, December 5, 1932 at 8 P.M. The president, Dr. Fred Lund, in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The report of the treasurer for the past year was read and accepted.

The report of the Auditing Committee was also read and accepted.

It was moved and voted that the dues for the ensuing year be $5.

The president mentioned the loss to the Society sustained by the death of Dr. William E. Faulkner and Dr. Nathaniel Allison. To pass resolutions on them he appointed as a committee for Dr. Faulkner, Dr. I. J. Walker, chairman and Dr. W. E. Morrison. For Dr. Allison, Dr. Robert Osgood, chairman and Dr. Smith-Petersen.

The report of the nominating committee was read and accepted. It was moved and voted that the secretary cast one ballot for the officers nominated. This was then done and the following officers were elected.

President	Dr. David Cheever
Vice-President	Dr. Irving J. Walker
Secretary-Treasurer	Dr. Thomas Lanman
Member of Executive Council for 5 years.	Dr. Arthur Allen

Dr. John M. T. Finney of Baltimore was unanimously elected an honorary member of the Society.

The following men were elected to the Society:

E. Parker Hayden	Henry C. Marble
James J. Hepburn	Harlan F. Newton
Frederick C. Irving	David D. Scannell declined

The paper of the evening was presented by Dr. Elliott C. Cutler on "The Use of Sclerosing Solutions in the Treatment of Cysts and Fistulae". The paper was extremely interesting and he took up the subject of injections of cysts of the brain with various fluids and then particularly branchio-genetic fistulae in the neck. Dr. Cutler explained the embryology and development of the fistulae and suggested successful treatment by the use of Cornoy's Solution. The presentation wasavery excellent review of the whole subject and evoked much favorable comment. In discussion Dr. William E. Ladd mentioned many cases at the Children's Hospital and said he still preferred the radical excision by operation. The discussion was carried on by Dr. Miller, Dr. Horrax and Dr. Mixter.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Miller
Secretary

One-Hundred Ninth Meeting.

The one-hundred ninth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, on Monday, January 9, 1933.

Members present were: Doctors C.G. Mixter, W.J. Mixter, Harmer, Reggio, Vincent, Taylor, Ober, Walker, Cheever, Ladd, G.D. Cutler, E. C. Cutler, Phaneuf, Sowles, Hepburn, White, Hayden, Sheehan, Morrison, Hodgson, Pemberton, Clute, Cattell, Macomber, Allen, Mahoney, F.C. Newton, H. Newton, Homans, Quinby, Lund, Horrax, Colby, Marble, Hutchins, Simmons Kimpton, Daland, and Lanman.

Senior Members: Davis, Brewster, Painter, Cushing.

An interesting operative clinic was presented by:
Dr. E. C. Cutler: Splenectomy

Dr. W. C. Quinby: Prostatectomy, and Resection of Bladder Diverticulum.

Dr. Homans: Salpingectomy.

Dr. F. C. Newton: Cholecystostomy

Dr. H. Newton: Second Stage Thorocoplasty for TBC.

Dr. Cheever: Closure of Transverse Colostomy.

Following the operative clinic which was instructive and well attended, the members had the privilege of hearing Doctor Harvey Cushing. He spoke in his usual clear and interesting manner on recent views of the function of the pituitary body. He feels that he has now fairly conclusive evidence that there are but two main types of cell found predominating in the lesion. In the cases where the acid staining cells predominate, there results a disturbance largely of physical growth. If the basophilic cells predominate, the result is a disturbance of sexual development rather than physical. He also put forward the theory that this gland may be the most important of all the glands of internal secretion and that it may act as a "governor" of the endocrine system. He showed cases and photographs to illustrate and confirm his opinions. We look forward to publication of his data on this complex subject.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas H. Lanman
Thomas H. Lanman, secretary.

Executive Council Meeting.

Meeting of the Executive Council was held on Thursday, January 26th, at 7 P.M. at the home of Dr. David Cheever, 193 Marlborough St., Boston.

The following members were present: Drs. Cheever, Lund, Lahey, Walker, A.W. Allen, Horrax, Loder and Lanman.

It was voted that the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal be awarded to Dr. Harvey Cushing and that the presentation take place on Wednesday evening, May 3, 1933. This date just precedes the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the opening of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

It was voted that the meetings for 1933 and 1934 continue to be six in number and that three be morning meetings at various clinics and that three be evening meetings.

It was voted that one of the evening meetings next year be devoted to the subject of anesthesia. For the other two meetings a list of outside men were suggested, from which two will be selected by the President and Secretary, and invited to talk before the Society.

It was voted that Dr. Greenough be asked to express the views of Dr. G.H. Bigelow on some matters pertaining to the Public Health Department at the February Meeting of the Society, and that the Society express its opinion of the measure at this meeting.

It was voted that the Secretary write a letter to six men of the Society informing them that their attendance at the meetings did not meet the requirements of the By-Laws as expressed in Section 5, Article IV. The Council also approved after discussion the form of a letter to be sent all men as regards election of new members next fall.

It was Voted that members be allowed to invite guests to the evening meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H. Lanman

Secretary.

One-Hundred Tenth Meeting.

The one-hundred tenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the St. Botolph Club on Monday evening, February 6, 1933, Dr. David Cheever presiding.

There was a good attendance; forty two of the active members; seven of the senior members and several invited guests.

Reading of the minutes of the two previous meetings was omitted.

Dr. A. W. Allen read resolutions on the death of Dr. Charles A. Porter.

Dr. I. J. Walker read resolutions on the death of Dr. William E. Faulkner.

Dr. Smith-Petersen read resolutions on the death of Dr. Nathaniel Allison.

It was moved, seconded and voted that these resolutions be accepted and that they be spread upon the records of the Society and that a copy be sent to the family of each of the above.

Dr. Cheever appointed the following committee to draw up resolutions for Dr. George H. Monks;- Dr. F. J. Cotton, Chairman, Dr. Binney and Dr. Hermann.

Dr. Cheever appointed the following committee to draw up resolutions for Dr. William P. Graves;- Dr. R. B. Osgood, Chairman, Dr. Pemberton and Dr. Macomber.

Dr. Greenough brought before the Society the proposed campaign of the Public Health Department of Massachusetts to curb the giving of cathartics by persons other than physicians to people complaining of abdominal pain. A campaign has been carried out in Pennsylvania with success especially as regards the obtaining of cathartics in drug stores on advice of people other than physicians,

It was moved, seconded and voted that the Society go on record as in favor of this campaign.

The paper of the evening was presented by Dr. Vernon C. David, Clinical Professor of Surgery, Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois. His subject was "Some Investigations Relative to Peritonitis." The Speaker gave a most interesting resume of his experimental work on peritonitis. In some carefully worked out and controlled experiments, he felt that he had evidence that the passage of bacteria and toxins into both the blood stream and the lymphatics is hastened by the presence of a non infected transudate in the peritoneal cavity and that it is retarded if there is a frankly infected peritoneal fluid reaction. He emphasizes this point in advising against the giving of even normal salt solution even intra-peritoneally. Other experiments tended to confirm clinical observation that trauma to

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the viscera or peritoneum also hastened the passage of bacteria and toxins into the blood stream and lymphatics. It is not possible here to more than very briefly mention his paper or to condense into a small space the interesting discussion it provoked. The results of his experiments are to appear shortly in the Archives of Surgery and parts of his experimental work have already appeared in Annals of Surgery, 1928, and Surgery, Gynecology and Obstetrics, June 1929.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H. Lanman

Secretary.

Nathaniel Allison was born in Webster, Missouri, May 22, 1876. His early life was spent in his native state. In 1893 he entered West Point, but left at the end of a year to enter Harvard College; he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from Harvard Medical School in 1901.

Orthopaedic Surgery attracted him to the Boston Children's Hospital, where he received his early training in this department; he remained in this specialty throughout his life.

It was natural that he should return to St. Louis to practice; research work, however, appealed to him from the beginning, and his contributions to medical literature were many. Papers on arthroplasty were among his first, and although his writings covered most aspects of orthopaedic surgery, his keener interest was along this line.

Dr. Allison's service during the war was outstanding. He was commissioned as a Captain and discharged as a full Colonel. At the end of the war he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

Returning to St. Louis he was appointed Dean of the Medical Department of Washington University, and served in this capacity until 1923, when he accepted the appointment of Chief of the Orthopaedic Department of the Massachusetts General Hospital; he was also appointed Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Harvard Medical School.

In 1929 the middle West again claimed him, he accepted the appointment as Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Chicago, and served until the spring of 1932, when illness forced him to resign.

One of Dr. Allison's outstanding characteristics was his ability as an organizer and administrator. This ability and his interest in research served him well in the prominent positions he held during his lifetime.

Soon after Dr. Allison's coming to Boston, he was elected a member of the Boston Surgical Society. He always took keen interest in its activities and was wise in its counsels. The Society wishes to convey to Mrs. Allison its deepest sympathy and the sense of loss which it feels in the passing of one of its most distinguished members.

Dr. William E. Faulkner, A. B., M. D.

In the passing of Dr. William E. Faulkner on September 16, 1932, the Boston Surgical Society lost one of its charter members.

Dr. Faulkner was born at Keene, N. H. on November 7, 1863, the son of Charles S. and Sarah Eliza (Eames) Faulkner. His early education was received in the schools of Keene and Boston. He was graduated from Harvard in 1887 with the degree of B. A., and in the same year entered the Medical School where in 1890 he received the degree of M. D.

Starting in July, 1890, he was a surgical house officer at the Boston City Hospital for eighteen months. Following this interneship he studied abroad for two years. On February 14, 1902, he was appointed Assistant Visiting Surgeon to the Boston City Hospital, and served on the surgical Staff of that institution until his resignation on January 8, 1923.

He will be remembered by his colleagues as being conscientious and untiring in his efforts, unassuming in his successes, and always capable of a forceful decision when the occasion arose. His advice pertaining to hospital policies was always sound.

During the World War, he served with the Harvard Unit, No. 22 General Hospital, British Expeditionary Force, and later as Major with the Medical Corps of the United States Army. Throughout the war, his untiring efforts to relieve suffering and save life, and his faithfulness to duty, were inspirations to those of his Staff.

His professional memberships included the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, the New England Surgical Society, the American College of Surgeons, and the American Surgical Association.

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Dr. William E. Faulkner - Continued

Due to inherent modesty, Dr. Faulkner was not conspicuous in society meetings, but never hesitated to express an opinion when called upon. His simplicity of character and charming manners won him a host of friends among the laity as well as in the medical profession.

In 1922, he retired to his country home in Keene, N. H. and there in the surroundings of which he was so fond, enjoyed an ideal family life.

On July 7, 1906, Dr. Faulkner married Rosalie Edwards, of Philadelphia, Pa., who, with one daughter and four sons, survive him.

With the death of Dr. Faulkner the profession has lost a modest and sincere worker, and those who knew him well a genial and valued friend.

Irving J. Walker

Wilcox Reid Morrison

CHARLES ALLEN PORTER

1866 - 1931

By the death of Doctor Porter, the Boston Surgical Society has lost one of its founders and keenest supporters; the Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital one of their most able teachers; and the community a devoted friend and physician.

Charles Allen Porter was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 9, 1866, son of Charles Burnham and Harriett Ann (Allen) Porter. He was in the eighth generation of a direct line of physicians and surgeons that began with Doctor Daniel Porter, who came over from England in 1625, and practiced surgery at Farmington, Connecticut.

His father, Dr. Charles Burnham Porter, was attached to the Armory Square Hospital, Washington, D. C. during the Civil War. In after years he was professor of clinical surgery at the Harvard Medical School, and visiting surgeon to the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The son was graduated A. B. with honors at Harvard in 1888 and A. M. in 1892 and received his medical degree, cum laude, at the Harvard Medical School also in 1892. He took a post-graduate course in Pathology and Surgery in Vienna during 1897-98.

Doctor Porter was appointed surgeon to out patients at the Massachusetts General Hospital in 1894, subsequently he became Visiting Surgeon, chief of the West Surgical Service, and finally in 1925, Surgeon-in-Chief. He was appointed consulting surgeon in 1929, holding the latter post until his death. He was also surgeon for several years at the New England Baptist Hospital.

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Doctor Porter taught throughout his active career at the Harvard Medical School. He was instructor in anatomy during 1893-96, and instructor in surgery from 1899 to 1909, assistant professor during 1909-13, associate professor during 1913-16, professor of surgery during 1916-18, John Homans professor of clinical surgery from 1918 to 1927 and emeritus professor from 1927 until his death.

In the World War he went to France with the first Harvard Medical Unit in June 1915, and was stationed at Camiers and Boulogne with the rank of lieutenant-colonel in the British Army Medical Corps.

At an early age his deftness of touch showed in self-trained taxidermy, and his lasting keen interest in nature, especially the study of ornithology and bird calls, made him a fascinating out-of-door companion.

He was energetic, courageous, intelligent, earnest, humorous without malice, forceful, and generous with his talents and services. His friendships were many and to them he gave great loyalty and devotion.

No surgical lesion was ever considered by him in a light and trivial manner. Study and thought far beyond the importance of the situation, in the minds of his contemporaries, was characteristic of his attitude toward any new case under observation. This careful approach to a problem made his opinion often sought for in difficult, obscure and complicated surgical conditions. Great respect was given his consultation as in almost every instance new light on the diagnosis, method of approach and general management of the case

followed his "best thought". Never did he offer an opinion hastily, often returning for another examination after further study, more thought or a personal consideration of the situation with the patient, his family and his physicians. His ideas always converged to the best interest of the patient, never losing sight of each individual's social and economic problem.

His great store of knowledge on surgical subjects was a constant source of attraction to his students and internes. Unpublished or forgotten tricks in diagnosis and treatment were daily demonstrated by Doctor Porter during his long hospital career. His thoughtfulness for the comfort of his patient and his great resourcefulness along this line, enhanced by his charming personality, endeared him not only to all patients but to his house surgeons as well.

His surgical approach was well thought out before he began an operation. He was exceedingly well trained in anatomy and his surgical dissections were beautiful. In spite of his painstaking technique, he was fearless in his attack, frequently accomplishing an apparently impossible surgical feat.

Doctor Porter was a great authority on x-ray burns, numbering among his patients many of the famous pioneers in Roentgenology. These great martyrs to science came to him repeatedly as their lesions progressed from erythema to keratosis thence to ulceration, on or in which cancer developed. Upon one of these heroes he operated over forty different times, keeping him useful to humanity for a great many years. In connection with Doctor Porter's work on x-ray burns, he demonstrated his skill in skin grafting. His colleagues frequently

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said of him that "his grafts always took". He cut them of a proper thickness with an amputation knife and a free hand, sutured them accurately in place with fine black silk and dressed them with painstaking care. They almost invariably grew. His keen interest in the unusual surgical lesions, his willingness and ability to handle difficult situations accounted for the large number of such cases referred to him.

Doctor Porter was a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, The American Surgical Association, The American Medical Association, Society of Clinical Surgery, American Association for Cancer Research, National Institute of Social Sciences, Societé Internationale de Chirurgie, New England Surgical Society, Massachusetts Medical Society, Boston Surgical Society, Boylston Medical Society, Military Order of the World War and the Harvard, St. Botolph and Somerset Clubs of Boston.

Politically he was a Republican and in religion a Unitarian.

He was married April 13, 1898 in Stirling,Scotland, to Margaret Cochran, daughter of John Lewthwaite Dewar, a Ceylon tea planter. They had three children, Isabel DeCourcy, Margaret Dewar, and Charles Burnham Porter.

Doctor Porter died in Boston, Massachusetts, July 3, 1931.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin G. Balch

William C. Quinby

Arthur W. Allen

The one-hundred eleventh meeting was held at the Carney Hospital on Monday, March 6, 1933.

The following members were present: Drs. Cheever, F.B.Lund, C.C. Lund, Hodgson, Harmer, E.C.Cutler, Miller, Lahey, Cattell, Shortell, Phaneuf, Kimpton, Macomber, C.G. Mixter, W.J. Mixter, W.E.Ladd, Barney, Cotton, A.MacK. Fraser, Lanman.

OPERATIONS

Dr. L. E. Phaneuf:	1. Perineorrahaphy for large rectocele. 2. Vaginal hysterectomy for procidentia.
Dr. A. McK. Fraser:	1. Hysterectomy for fibroids.
Dr. F. B. Lund:	1. Exploration for cancer of the sigmoid. First Stage Mikulicz.
Dr. W.R.MacAusland:	1. Arthroplasty- knee joint.

Following the operative clinic there was a dry clinic at which Dr. W. E. Browne demonstrated some patients on whom he had used carbolic acid for granulating wounds both of the skin and deeper structures. He also showed some results of plastic surgery on the arm and forearm. Dr. Lund showed some cases; notably a man whom he operated on 24 years ago for cancer of the pylorus. He did a resection of the pylorus and the patient has remained in excellent condition.
Dr. Roger C. Graves demonstrated a patient who had renal papillitis and result of nephro-ureterectomy. Also, a child aged seven, spina bifida, two stones in bladder, incontinence bowel and bladder--- operative removal of stones and plastic repair.

Respectfully submitted.

Thomas H. Lanman

Secretary.

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The one-hundred twelfth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held on Monday, April 3, 1933, at the St. Botolph Club.

The Senior Members present were: Drs. Brewster, Osgood, Jones, Davis, Cotton, and Greenough.

Other members present were: Drs. Allen, Binney, Cattell, Cheever, Cochrane, Colby, Churchill, Clute, G.D. and E.C. Cutler, Daland, Hermann, Hodgson, Horrax, Kimpton, Ladd, F. and C. Lund, Macomber, McKittrick, W.J. Mixter, Morrison, F. and H. Newton, Ober, O'neil, Pemberton, Phaneuf, Quinby, Reggio, Riley, Rushmore, Sever, Sheehan, Shortell, Simmons, Smith-Petersen, Vincent, Walker, White, Whittemore, Wilson, Hayden, Hepburn, Marble, and Lanman.

Also present at the meeting as guests were 20 members of the Southern Society of Clinical Surgeons.

The reading of the Minutes of the previous meetings were omitted.

Dr. F. J. Cotton read resolutions on the death of Dr. George H. Monks. Dr. Osgood read resolutions on the death of Dr. William P. Graves. Both of these were accepted by the Society, and it was voted that they be spread upon the records and a copy sent to the family and also to the New England Journal of Medecine.

Dr. Cheever then appointed the following committee to draw up resolutions on the death of Dr. Robert Soutter; Dr. Sever, Chairman, and Dr. Ladd and Dr. Ober.

Dr. Cheever extended greetings from the Society to our guests from the South; and then presented the Speaker of the evening, Dr. Dean Lewis, who read a paper on "Tumors of the Sympathetic Nervous System." The paper was very comprehensive; and he spoke of the two main groups:- first, the neuroblastomas which arise largely from the adrenal region. These tumors, especially those seen in early life give very few symptoms until growth has reached such size as to be inoperable. He brought out the tendency of these tumors to metastize to the bones of the skull, the long bones, and to the ribs and lungs; in the second class, the chromophilic type, there are two sub divisions; para-gangliomas, which may be benign or malignant, the commonest location being the carotid body and the gastrointestinal tract. The age incidence is older than in the previous type. Of those in the gastrointestinal tract, 300 were found to involve the appendix, 100 in the small intestine and a few scattered in other locations. The second sub division of the chromo-philic type are the ganglioneuromas which are generally found in the sympathetic and peripheral nerves. While these are not as malignant as the neuroblastomas in rapidity of growth, they may be more rapid than the para-gangliomas. The paper was discussed by Dr. Mixter who showed a case with autopsy findings, of Von Recklinghausen's Disease, in which there was a tumor at the cerebellar pontine angle in addition to ganglioneuromas of some of the peripheral nerves. Drs. Ladd, Quinby, F.B.Lund, Churchill and Horrax added to the discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas N. Lanman

Secretary.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS GRAVES, B. A., M. A., M. D., F. A. C. S.,
F. B. C. O. G. (Hon.), D. Sc. (Hon).
January 29, 1870-January 25, 1933

By the death of William Phillips Graves the Boston Surgical Society has lost one of its most distinguished members. Strength, courage and ability were his endowments; industriousness, concentration and force were his characteristics; knowledge, skill and accomplishment were his acquirements.

He was the son of William Blair and Lurana (Copeland) Graves, whose lines run back through New Hampshire Colonial ancestry to Scotch and English progenitors. His father occupied professorial chairs in Physics and Chemistry in Marietta College, Ohio, and at the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Eventually he became the head of the Scientific Department of Phillips Academy at Andover, Massachusetts. It was from this famous preparatory school that William Phillips Graves received his middle name and his early academic training, winning prizes in both Latin and Greek, and excelling in nearly all indoor and outdoor sports. He entered Yale in 1887, making the Varsity football team and "The Yale Record" in his Freshman year, graduating in 1891 with an unusual record for both scholarship and athletic prowess, Editor-in-chief of the Record and member of Skull and Bones Senior society. From 1891 to 1893, he was on the faculty of the Hill School at Pottstown, Pennsylvania, teaching Latin, penmanship, drawing, English composition and American history, besides serving as general director of the school's athletics.

From 1893-1894, he pursued postgraduate studies at Harvard in Art, European history, French and Italian, going back to the Hill School in 1894 and 1895 for more teaching, because the school wanted him and his purse was slender. His decision was finally made to study medicine and to become a surgeon. During his four years at the Harvard Medical School, he supported himself by tutoring and was graduated at the head of the class of 1899 with a "summa cum laude."

After a surgical house officership at the Massachusetts General Hospital, he was married to Alice Myrick Chase and spent a year of study abroad, majoring in

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pathology under Storck at Vienna. On his return to America, he continued these studies under Cullen, Sampson and Kelley at Johns Hopkins. In May 1902, he became associated with the Free Hospital for Women in Brookline and established its pathological laboratory.

The members of the Boston Surgical Society are conversant with his brilliant medical career. In 1905, he was made assistant in gynecology at Harvard and in 1908, only eight years after he had received his medical diploma, had risen to the post of surgeon-in-chief of the Free Hospital. Three years later he was made Full Professor of Gynecology at the Harvard Medical School.

His contributions to medical literature were many, original and important: They covered nearly every phase of his specialty. In 1916 was published Graves' Textbook of Gynecology which has run through four editions and is still accepted as the standard English volume on the subject. Another magnum opus, "Female Sex Hormonology," was published in 1931.

Recognition of his ability, industry and knowledge was general. The British Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists made him their guest of honor in 1927, and the British College of Obstetrics and Gynecology conferred honorary Fellowship upon him in 1932. Boston University gave him a D. Sc. last June and he was made a graduate member of the scholarship societies of Alpha Omega Alpha and Sigma Xi. He was President of the American Gynecological Society in 1931, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and held membership in all the important gynecological national, sectional, state and local societies. He belonged to the Somerset, Tennis and Racquet, Brookline Country and New Riding Clubs.

This long list of his medical and civic attainments is no measure of the respect and warm affection in which the members of the Boston Surgical Society held him. We knew that by indefatigable devotion he had built the Free Hospital for Women into a great clinical and teaching institution. We knew that students recognized

his knowledge and profited by his instruction. We knew that his private practice was large and that he was accepted by his patients as the last authority. His repute was international. Some of us were made aware also of his good companionship, of his high standards of sportsmanship, of his fine artistic feeling and execution, and of his broad learning. He seemed to be equally at home with old Greek philosophers, with new advanced psychiatrists and with ardent championship golfers. He was devoted to his wife and to his three children: He played with them and taught them. He planned for his own and his family's future happiness by acquiring the old Prescott estate at Pepperell, looking forward to the time when he could lay down his compelling duties and drink deeply of the health of the good earth.

The one lesson he never learned was the conservation of his own great energy. A few days before he died, aware of a serious cardiac involvement and warned by previous symptoms, he insisted upon performing several taxing hospital operations which he had promised to carry through: Unwise; perhaps even reckless, yet a surge of admiration stirs us when we realize the sense of duty and the personal courage which the act connotes: A courage that in the words of John Galsworthy, when death called across his shadowy fields, dying, answered, "Here! I am not dead!"

Resolved, that this article be spread upon the records of the Boston Surgical Society and that a copy be sent to Mrs. William Phillips Graves.

Frank D. Pemberton,
Donald Macomber
Robert B. Osgood

April 3d, 1933

Frank A Pemberton
Donald Macomber
Robert B. Osgood

Read by Dr. Robert Osgood at the meeting of the Boston Surgical Society. held on April 3, 1933.

Thomas H. Lanman
Secretary.

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DR. GEORGE HOWARD MONKS. Died January 26, 1933

Dr. Monks was born in Boston, March 28, 1853, the son of John P. and Delia S. (Hatton) Monks. His premedical education was acquired at the Boston Latin School and Harvard College and he graduated from the latter institution in 1875. After a short course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology he turned his attention to medicine and graduated from the Medical School at Harvard University in 1880. He served an interneship at the Massachusetts General Hospital and later studied at Vienna, Leipzig, Heidelberg, Dresden and Paris. He secured membership in the Royal College of Surgeons in England. Returning to Boston in 1884 he was appointed to the Visiting Staff of the Boston Dispensary and a little later Visiting Surgeon to Carney Hospital. In 1890 he was appointed to the Surgical Staff of the Boston City Hospital being advanced in 1910 to the position of Surgeon-in-Chief and after his resignation in 1914 was given the distinction of Consulting Surgeon.

He taught surgery in the Harvard Medical School for eleven years and held the position of Professor of Oral Surgery in the Harvard Dental School for a number of years. At various times Dr. Monks devised surgical operations and instruments and made valuable contributions to medical literature. Among the later of his papers are the "Selections from the Medical Writings and Sayings of Dr. Oliver Wendall Holmes" and the "Obituary of Dr. Vincent Yardley Bowditch" both published in the New England Journal of Medicine. The offices held by Dr. Monks include President of the Suffolk District Medical Society, President of the Boylston Medical Society, Vice-President of the American Surgical Association, President of the Boston Surgical Society, and President of the Boston Medical

Library. He held membership in the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Boston Society of Medical Sciences and the Boston Society for Medical Improvement

He was a prime mover in starting the Boston Surgical Society, one of its early Presidents, and to him very directly is due the establishment of the Foundation of the Bigelow medal, periodically bestowed by the Society.

His social clubs were the Tavern, the Somerset, the Harvard the Country Club, and the Thursday Evening Club.

In 1897 Dr. Monks married Miss Olga Eliza Gardner who survives him as do three children, the Rev. George G. Monks, Dr. John Monks and Miss Olga Monks. A sister, Mrs. Walther Hempel,is living in Dresden, Germany.

Owing to Dr. Monks' years of retirement and partial invalidism, the active generation have been unfortunate in lacking contact with the man who particularly represented the side of our profession so little conspicuous today.

With him there was never a question whether medicine was a profession or a business.

He was an excellent surgeon; how good only those who worked with him will ever know, for he took his satisfaction in doing things, not in reporting them.

For years he busied himself with the working out of surgical investigation--clinical research-to which he contributed much--with clever operations, with the heavy routine of the Boston City Hospital where he served so long, with the surgical intruction of the Harvard Dental School, which owes him no little, not only in instruction but in kindly interest and service.

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He did much work in surgery, always most intelligent--(and one remembers always his logical ingenuity)--always competent, often brilliant.

And as a consultant admirable not only technically but in that he was human and very understanding.

It is for this that many younger men remember him best, --and very kindly.

He wrote infrequently and is remembered today mainly by his excellent research work on intestinal localization which is a classic.

But it is interesting to note that after all these years our classification even of bursal disorders at the shoulder comes back again to his "periarthritis" at a time forty years ago, when his surgical acumen led to recognize and treat these cases as a class--the Monks triangle splint devised in this connection still survives.

Always a deft ingenious mechanic he busied himself early with the magnetic localization and removal of foreign bodies.

Always an artist he particularly delighted in plastic surgery and was amazingly successful with it at a time when he was one of very few competent for this work.

It was as the artist and the man of culture we shall always best remember him,--the handsome debonair Monks, gravely courteous, never ruffled, never hurried.

Of high intelligence, high ideals, high standards, curiously

unselfconscious, without trace of timidity, but always modest and self-effacing, he brought a certain fineness of finish to all he did.

His sculptures, whether the admirable portrait busts or the little Aphrodite perched on his desk, had no trace of crudeness, were not only competent but professionally competent as well as lovely in conception.

And when he wrote, as he so often did, on non-technical medical things, his taste and style were not only good but had real artistry of diction and of finish.

What he wrote in later years is familiar to many. The biographies in brochure of Henry J. Bigelow, of the older John Homans, of Bradford, of Morton Prince, of Vincent Bowditch, and not least that of John Collins Warren are familiar to many. More familiar yet the medical excerpts from Oliver Wendell Holmes. And all these done in his neat characteristic way, and beautifully done.

In personal and social intercourse he was, could not help but be, interesting, but beyond that his grave thoughtful courtesy with great kindliness and interest gave him an odd and very personal charm---

A very worthy and admirable gentleman, an artist in work and in life.

Frederic J. Cotton
Horace Binney
Otto J. Heumann

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THE BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY
requests the honour of your presence
at John Hancock Hall, 90 St. James Avenue, Boston
on Wednesday, May 3, at 8.30 p.m.
on the occasion of the presentation of the
HENRY JACOB BIGELOW MEDAL
to Dr. Harvey Cushing

Guests will be welcome

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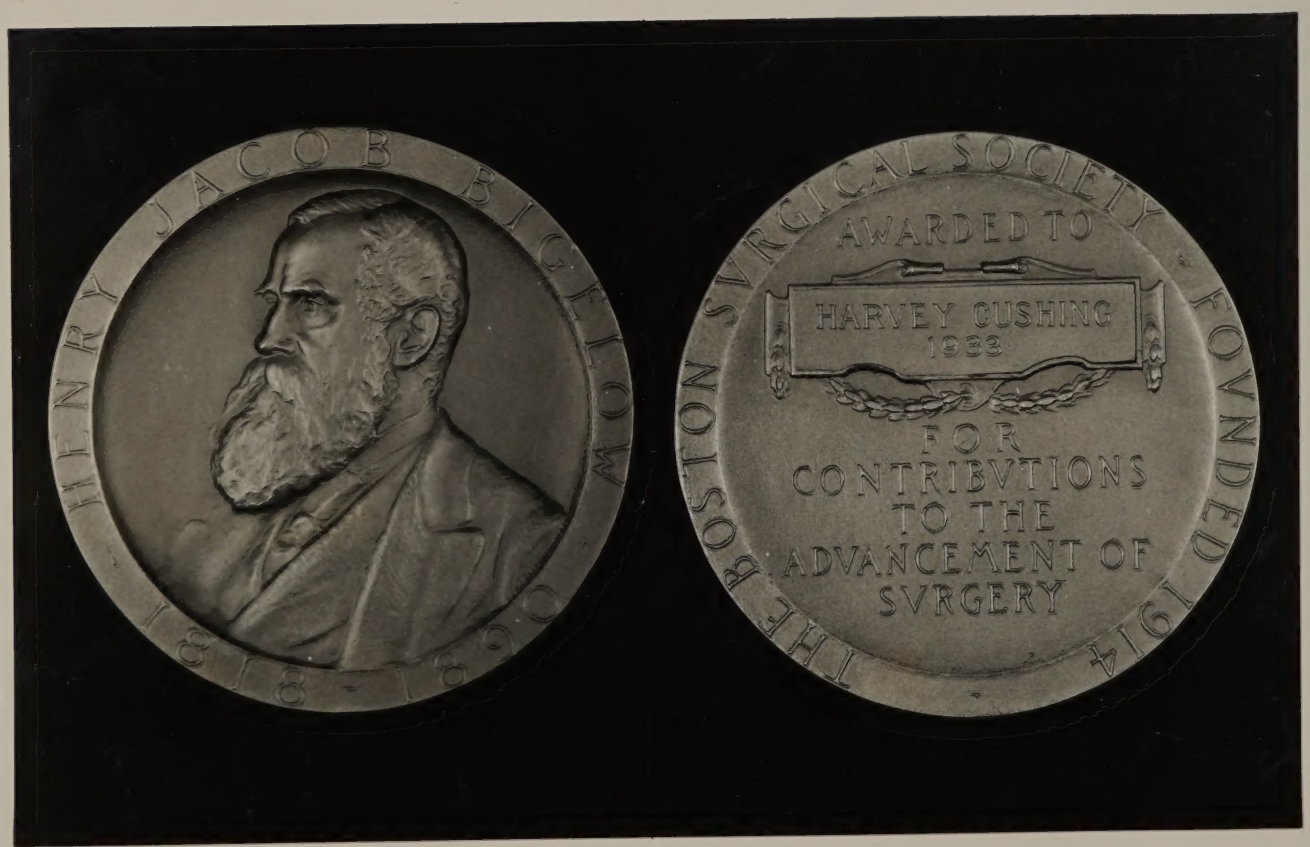

THE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING OF THE BOSTON SURGICAL SOCIETY was held at the Harvard Club on Monday, June 2, 1947 at 8:30 P.M. This was a special meeting for the purpose of awarding the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal to Doctor Elliott Carr Cutler.

Preceding the meeting a dinner was given at the Harvard Club by the Society in honor of Doctor Cutler. Included among the guests were three former recipients of the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal: Doctor Rudolph Matas, Doctor Allen O. Whipple and Doctor Frank H. Lahey.

The meeting was held in Harvard Hall and was attended by some three hundred members, guests and their wives. Doctor Joe V. Meigs, President, presided.

In presenting the Bigelow Medal, Doctor Meigs reviewed briefly Doctor Cutler's career and mentioned some of his many contributions in Surgery, in research and in teaching.

Doctor Cutler then presented his address on "The Training of the Surgeon" and accepted the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal with a few appropriate and well chosen remarks.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice K. Barter

Secretary

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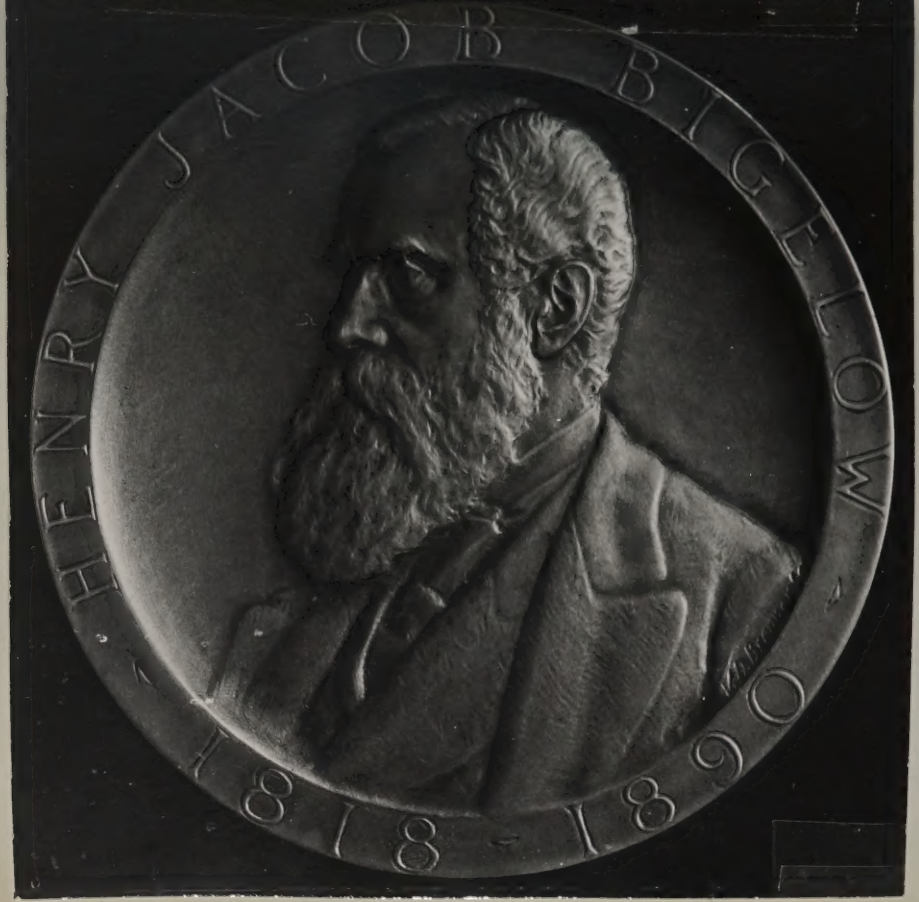
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Special Meeting. May 3, 1933.

On Wednesday evening, May 3, 1933, in John Hancock Hall, there took place the seventh award of the Henry Jacob Bigelow Medal. On the platform was Doctor Harvey Cushing, the recipient, Doctor I. J. Walker, who presided over the meeting, and the President, Doctor David Cheever, who presented the Medal. Also, on the platform was the Executive Committee; Doctors, F. B. Lund, Frank Lahey, William J. Mixter, H. B. Loder, A. W. Allen, Gilbert Horrax, and Thomas H. Lanman, Secretary.

Invitations had been sent to the members of the Society and their friends. Also, to members of the New England Surgical Society and the American Surgical Society. As the date of this meeting marked the opening of the twentieth birthday celebration of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, all members of the Visiting and House Staffs and the nurses of that Hospital were invited. The Staffs of the various Hospitals at which the Society meets, were also invited, and a number of Doctor Cushing's friends and their guests.

Doctor Walker as presiding Officer opened the meeting with a few words of introduction concerning the purpose of the Medal, its donor, and the Surgeon for whom the Medal is in honor. He referred to the previous six recipients and then presented Doctor Cushing as the first Boston Surgeon to receive this Honor. Doctor Cushing then read the very delightful address which will be printed in the New England Journal of Medecine. At the conclusion of the address, Doctor Cheever presented the Medal and spoke of the many great achievements of the recipient. His speech will also appear in the New England Journal of Medecine.* Doctor Cushing accepted the Medal with a few gracious words and the Meeting adjourned.

There were about six hundred people at the Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H. Lanman

Secretary.

*See New England Journal of Medicine
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The one-hundred thirteenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Boston Lying-in Hospital on Monday, November 6, 1933.

The following members were present: Doctors Irving, Ladd, Reggio, Hayden, Tobey, Cheever, Kimpton, Lanman, Munro, Leland, Sowles, Quinby, Pemberton, E.G. Crabtree, G. Taylor and Brewster.

Doctor Irving performed a Caesarian section on a multipara followed by a sterilization operation on the tubes. The following papers were read:

1. Fetal and Pelvic Measurements by the Use of X-ray. Dr. Stewart Clifford.
2. The Elliott Heat Treatment in Puerperal Infection. Dr. Charles P. Sheldon.
3. The Effect of Anterior Lobe and Ovarian Hormones on Ovarian Grafts. Dr. LeRoy Goodman.
4. Separation of the Symphysis Pubis During Pregnancy. Dr. Daniel Abramson.
5. The Use of the Barbiturates and other Analgesics in Labor. Dr. H. Bristol Nelson.

The papers were very good especially the one on "Barbiturates and Analgesics in Labor." The data presented by the men was accurrate and their conclusions sound. The meeting justified a much larger attendance than was present.

Respectfully submitted.

Thomas H. Lanman

Secretary.

A Meeting of the Executive Council was held at Dr. Cheever's house on November 16, 1933.

There were present at the meeting: Doctors Cheever, Horrax, Lahey, Allen, Lund, Walker, Loder and Lanman.

It was voted to hold the three evening meetings at the Harvard Club this year.

It was voted not to issue a new catalogue this year.

It was voted to have the annual dues for 1933 and 1934, four dollars.

The following men were nominated by the Council for Active membership in the Society to be ballotted on at the Annual Meeting:

Dr. Eugene E. O'Neil
Dr. Richard H. Overholt
Dr. Horatio Rogers
Dr. George V.S. Smith
Dr. Tracy J. Putnam

Dr. Cheever appointed Doctors R.B.Osgood and Philip D. Wilson a committee to draw up resolutions on the death of Robert Soutter.

Respectfully submitted.

Thomas N Lanman

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The one-hundred fourteenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Harvard Club on the evening of December 4, 1933.

Preceding the scientific session the Annual Meeting was held.

Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary be empowered to cast one vote for the election of Francis C. Newton to serve as a member of the Executive Council from January 1, 1934 to December 31, 1938.

The following five men were elected to Active Membership in the Society: Dr. Eugene E. O'Neil, Dr. Richard H. Overholt, Dr. Horatio Rogers, Dr. George V. S. Smith Dr. Tracy J. Putnam.

It was voted that the recommendation of the Council that the dues for the ensuing year be four dollars, be accepted.

Dr. Sever as Chairman of a committee with Dr. W.E.Ladd and F.R.Ober read Resolutions on the death of Robert Soutter.

It was voted that these Resolutions be spread on the records of the Boston Surgical Society and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Soutter.

There were forty six Active Members present and five Senior Members.

Following the Business meeting there was a Symposium on Cancer, by the members of the Staff of the Pondville Hospital. The following papers were presented:

1. The Incidence of Hemorrhage and Perforation in Cancer of the Stomach. Dr. E.M.Daland.

2. Carcinoma of the Cervical Stump. Dr. J.V.Meigs.

3. Carcinoma of the Prostate with Metastases. Dr. R.C.Graves.

4. X-ray as a Diagnostic Aid in Carcinoma of the Breast. Dr. Richard Dresser.

5. Relief of Pain in Malignant Disease, with special Reference to Cordotomy. Dr. J.S.Hodgson.

6. Carcinoma of the Mouth in Women. Dr. G.W.Taylor.

The papers were extremely interesting and a good discussion followed.

The Meeting adjourned shortly after ten and light refreshments were served.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H Lanman

DOCTOR ROBERT SOUTTER.

Dr. Robert Soutter died in Boston on the 21st of February 1933, as the result of an infection, secondary to an operation. His death was a great loss to Boston orthopedic surgery, and a great loss to all his friends.

He was not an old person, as far as his activities went, and his associates at the Children's Hospital will miss his companionship and surgical advice.

He was graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1898, following which, he was an interne at the Boston City Hospital and Children's Hospital.

He was connected with many of the medical activities of Boston, having been district physician to the Boston Dispensary, surgeon-in-chief of the House of the Good Samaritan, and assistant surgeon at the Peabody Home for Cripples. He had been connected with the Children's Hospital for twenty-seven years. He also had been instructor at the Harvard Medical School in orthopedic surgery for many years, as well as surgeon to the Long Island Hospital, Boston, and surgeon-in-chief, and trustee, to the Massachusetts Hospital School for Cripples in Canton.

He was a member of many of the prominent medical societies of this country, as well as a Fellow des Societe des Chirurgiens, Paris, France, and Fellow Internationale Surgical Societe, France. At the time of his death, Dr. Soutter was vice-president of the American Orthopedic Association.

Dr. Soutter was always much interested in the operative problems of orthopedic surgery, particularly congenital dislocation of the hip, for which deformity he had accomplished a great deal. His ability and judgment as a surgeon were excellent. His operative technique was meticulous.

This is but a brief outline of his training and accomplishments.

Personally, Robert Soutter was charming, sympathetic, patient and tactful, never putting himself forward, being rather of a retiring and sensitive disposition.

His associates at the Children's Hospital, will find it hard to fill his place, and will miss the genial association, which we have had with him for so many years.

Signed:

Dr. James W. Sever.
Dr. Wm. E. Ladd.
Dr. Frank R. Ober.

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The one-hundred fifteenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Massachusetts General Hospital on January 8, 1934.

There were present thirty eight members.

Following the presentation of some interesting cases by Dr. Churchill and Dr. Allen these papers were presented:-

Kidney Lesions in Parathyroid Disease	Fletcher Colby
Bone Lesions in Parathyroid Disease	George Holmes
Surgery of the Parathyroid	E.D.Churchill
Massive Hemorrhage from Peptic Ulcer	Arthur W. Allen
Carcinoma of the Colon	E.L.Young, Jr.
Intratracheal Anesthesia	H.H.Bradshaw W.Fenn Hoyt
Myelotomy Commisura-New Treatment for Pain in the Upper Extremity.	Tracy Putnam
Two New Instruments Used in Diagnosis	E.W.Benedict J.V.Meigs

The papers were very interesting and excellently presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H. Lanman

The one-hundred sixteenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held on February 5, 1934, at the Harvard Club.

Members of the Boston Society of Anesthetists were guests.

There was a very good attendance of both Active and Senior Members.

The paper of the evening was by Dr. R. M. Waters, Head of the Department of Anesthesia of the Wisconsin Medical School, on "New Anesthetic Agents." After discussing the chemistry of several new products and warning against their use without careful laboratory investigation, he took up in some detail the use of cyclopropone and compared it with gas and ether, ethylene, spinal and so on. The investigation is not yet complete and the evidence is not yet conclusive as to its relative advisability over older forms of anesthesia.

Dr. W. V. MacGilvra of Worcester (by invitation) discussed the use of a weak aqueous solution of hydrochloric acid in the resuscitation of patients in deep anesthesia. This also is not proved but in several cases its effect has been most dramatic.

Dr. P.J. Mahoney of Boston (by invitation) gave a very good resume of the use of avertin at the Children's Hospital. He stressed the importance of dosage, selection of cases,and pre and post operative care. In summarizing the results he stated that in over 3700 cases where avertin had been used, there were only six operative deaths none of which could be attributed to avertin.

Dr. Woodbridge of Boston and Dr. Albert Miller of Providence discussed Dr. Water's paper very briefly but spent most of their time urging that there be better teaching of anesthesia in Boston.

Dr. Cheever appointed Dr. Lincoln Davis and Dr. Horace Binney a committee to draw up Resolutions on the death of Dr. Joshua C. Hubbard.
He also appointed Dr. J. D. Barney and Dr. Richard F. O'Neil, a committee to draw up Resolutions on the death of Dr. Arthur L. Chute.

The meeting adjourned at 10.20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H. Lanman

Secretary.

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The one-hundred seventeenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Boston City Hospital on March 5, 1934.

There were only about twenty five members present which is to be regretted as a very interesting program was presented.

Doctors Binney, Cochrane and Hermann operated on some interesting cases first following which a dry clinic was held in the Cheever amphitheatre. Of especial interest were the cases with complete removal of the thyroid for heart failure;- an unusual case of tumor of the popliteal space which was diagnosed as synoviomyata.

Doctor Binney showed a case of tumor of the second rib, probably a myxofibroma.

Doctor Burnett showed a post operative result in bone graft for fractured scaphoid.

Doctor Cochrane showed a case of osteitis fibrosa cystica associated with adenoma of the parathyroid.

Doctor Morrison showed a case of total gastrectomy for cancer.

Doctor Charles Lund presented figures of the Hospital on the operative treatment of cancer of the stomach which were somewhat discouraging but no more so than other clinics.

The meeting was adjourned at 12.30 noon.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas W. Lanman

The one hundred-eighteenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held in the Aesculapian Room of the Harvard Club on Monday evening, April 16, 1934 at 8.15 P.M.

There was a very good attendance, forty seven Active Members being present as well as several Senior Members and guests.

Dr. Lincoln Davis read Resolutions on the death of Joshua C. Hubbard. Dr. J.D.Barney read Resolutions on the death of Arthur L. Chute. It was moved and voted by the Society that these Resolutions be accepted and incorporated in the records of the Society and that a copy be sent to the members of the family.

The paper of the evening was presented by Dr. E. Starr Judd of the Mayo Clinic and his subject was "Peptic Ulcer." His presentation was very interesting with illustrations by lantern slides. Dr. Judd Advocates the more conservative type of operation rather than radical procedures. He believes in complete excision of the ulcer and gastroenterostomy wherever possible. In these cases the occurrence of marginal ulcer, he felt, was unusual and when it occurred that it was the result of an associated duodenal ulcer rather than as the result of incomplete excision. He also believes in doing a less radical type of operation for pyloric ulcer especially in young people. He advocates a modified Finney pyloroplasty, what is in effect an anterior gastroduodenostomy.

The paper was discussed by Drs. Cheever, Jones, Lahey, E.C.Cutler, Allen and Davis. Discussion was interesting and may be summarized in the words of Dr. Cheever,-"That until we really know more of the etiology and the physiology of ulcer there is no one type of operation suitable for all cases.

The meeting was adjourned at 9.45 for light refreshments and further informal discussion.

Respectfully submitted.

Thomas H. Lanman

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Joshua Clapp Hubbard, a former President of this Society, died at his home at Wayland on January 11, 1934 after a long illness. He was born at Charlestown, N. H. December 31, 1869. He prepared for college at Hopkinson's School, Boston, and received his A.B. degree from Harvard with the Class of 1892. He graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1896, later serving as surgical house officer at the Massachusetts General Hospital, and also as house officer at the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

In 1898 he began practice, specializing in surgery and obstetrics; later in life he devoted his energies exclusively to the former.

In 1900 he married Miss Marion G. Richardson by whom he is survived as well as by two sons and a daughter.

He served on the staffs of many hospitals including the Carney, Infants, Lying-in, Deaconess, and Boston City in Boston, and in a consulting capacity to hospitals in Newton, Natick, and Norwood. He served the Boston City Hospital throughout his active professional life reaching the grade of ~~Chief of Surgical Service~~ Surgeon-in-Chief in 1923. He devoted many years to teaching surgery on the staff of the Harvard Medical School becoming Clinical Professor of Surgery in 1924.

When the United States entered the World War, he was commissioned Major in the Medical Corps, and in April 1918, was appointed Chief of the Surgical Service at Camp Greene, N. C. He was later transferred to Base Hospital 85, and in September sailed for France, where he was promoted to Lieut. Colonel serving with Base Hospital 85, and Evacuation

Hospitals 1 and 37. While in France he suffered from a very severe attack of influenza-pneumonia from the effects of which he never entirely recovered.

He was a Fellow of the American Surgical Association and American College of Surgeons, a member of the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, New England Surgical Society and the Obstetrical Society of Boston.

He was a skillful,resourceful and imperturbable surgeon of calm judgment and great good sense devoted to the interests of his patients and highly respected and admired by his colleagues. He made valuable contributions to surgical literature in vascular surgery and blood transfusion, in which he was an early pioneer. He was a sound and lucid teacher and his high character was reflected in all his dealings with patients and students.

He was a shining example of what a true, kindly,and brave American gentleman and surgeon should be,and his memory is cherished by a host of friends. For many years he bore with cheerful fortitude an increasing weight of heavy infirmities which finally forced his retirement from active professional life. His courage and patience never failed ~~up~~ to the very end.

Horace Binney

Lincoln Davis

The death of our well-loved friend, Arthur Lambert Chute, occurred on January 12, 1934 in his sixty-fifth year. While not a Charter Member, he was among the group elected at the first stated meeting of the Boston Surgical Society in January 1915. He served on the Executive Council from 1917 to 1922.

After several years of general surgical practice Dr. Chute devoted his attention more and more, and finally exclusively to the then unploughed field of urology. In this he was a pioneer in Boston and was his own best teacher. His untiring industry, intense enthusiasm and firm conviction, combined with an unflagging professional honesty won him a national, even an international reputation.. No one was more meticulous then he in his courteous treatment of consultant and patient; no one more regular in his attendance at the meetings of the numerous professional societies to which he belonged. It naturally followed that eventually he occupied the Presidential chair in many of them. When he was absent, ~~as at last he was obliged to be,~~ everyone knew that something very special had transpired. Nor did anyone contribute more frequently to the programs of the various society meetings. These papers were not based upon a review of literature or a single case report, but upon experiences and conclusions drawn from his own large practice. There was but little theory and surmise - what Dr. Chute had to say was dogmatic and the truth as he saw it. Conservatism was one of his outstanding virtues. While this trait can be carried to excess, in Dr. Chute it always gave way to a ready recognition of the value of any given procedure when he had been convinced that it merited his approbation.

And yet in spite of his long days of unremitting toil Dr. Chute could completely relax, and at a society meeting could share with the rest in all the fun and lightheartedness. Aside from his professional activities Dr. Chute had comparatively few interests, and perhaps this very fact made him the recognized authority that he was. But he was an enthusiastic lover of nature and of flowers and trees. What perhaps was his only avocation was the cultivation of his garden and orchard at his lovely estate in Falmouth.

And so Dr. Chute has gone ~~to a well-earned rest~~, leaving behind not only uncounted friends both professional and lay, but also an enviable reputation for highmindedness and integrity and kindliness for all with whom he came in contact.

J. D. Barney
R. O'Neill

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A Meeting of the Executive Council was held in the office of the President, Dr. David Cheever, on June 26, 1934.

There were present: Doctors Cheever, Lanman, Walker, Newton and Horrax.

It was decided to have three Clinical Meetings in the morning; these to be held at the Deaconess, Beth Israel and the Children's Hospitals.

It was decided that at the Annual Meeting there should be a symposium on the Progress of Gynecology, to be given by members, and that a committee be appointed consisting of Doctors Hutchins, Meigs, Pemberton, Phaneuf, and George Smith, who would confer with the President and Secretary on this matter.

The proposition of Dr. Walter E. Lee, President of the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery, to hold a joint meeting of the Boston and Philadelphia groups once a year was looked upon with favor and it was suggested that the President confer with other members and suggest that there be a meeting in Philadelphia on the evening of the first Monday of February, 1935, in place of the usual meeting here. Further details to be decided later.

It was suggested that the program for the April Meeting be left to the new President.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas H. Lanman
Secretary.

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society was held on October 11, 1934 at the office of the President, Dr. David Cheever.

There were present: Doctors, Cheever, Walker, F.B.Lund, F.C.Newton, W.J.Mixter and Lanman.

It was voted not to hold the Clinical Meeting of the Society in November as the date follows so closely after the meeting of the American College of Surgeons.

It was voted that the Council recommend that the Society at its Annual Meeting in December approve of an appropriation of fifty dollars as a gift to the Boston Medical Library to help defray the cost of certain periodicals but that this appropriation is not to be considered in the light of an annual donation.

It was voted that the Council recommend to the Society at its Annual Meeting that the annual dues for 1934-1935 be four dollars.

It was voted that Dr. Philip D. Wilson be changed from Active to Senior Membership on account of moving to New York.

At Dr. Lund's request he also was changed from Active to Senior Membership.

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Dr. Harry H. Hartwell asking if he objected to being changed from an Active to a Senior Member.

Due to lack of time, it was voted to hold a meeting on October 23, 1934 at the Harvard Club at which time the Council was to nominate members to fill the vacancies in the Active Membership of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas H. Lanman.
Secretary.

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A meeting of the Executive Council of the Boston Surgical Society was held October 24, 1934 at the Harvard Club.

There were present: Doctors Cheever, Lund, Lahey, Newton and Lanman.

After thorough discussion it was voted that the following candidates be nominated for Active Membership in the Society. These names will be ballotted on at the Annual Meeting in December:

1. Dr. Franc D. Ingraham
2. Dr. Reginald H. Smithwick
3. Dr. Albert H. Brewster
4. Dr. Jacob Fine
5. Dr. Gilbert E. Haggart

No further business was brought before the Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas H. Lanman
Secretary.

The one-hundred nineteenth meeting of the Boston Surgical Society was held at the Harvard Club on the evening of December 3, 1934.

Preceding the scientific session the Annual Meeting was held.

Reading of the minutes of previous meetings was omitted.

Report of the Treasurer was read. Report of the Auditing Committee was read and it was voted that their report of the Treasurer's accounts be accepted.

It was voted that the Council's recommendation that the dues for 1934-1935 be four dollars, be accepted.

Resolutions on the deaths of Dr. Abner Post and Dr. Hayward W. Cushing, Senior Members of the Society, were read and it was voted that these be spread on the records of the Boston Surgical Society and that a copy be sent to their families.

It was voted that the Secretary be empowered to cast one vote for the election of the following officers:

President:	Dr. Channing C. Simmons
Vice-President	Dr. Frank A. Pemberton
Sec-Treasurer	Dr. Thomas H. Lanman
Member of the Executive Council for 5 years	Dr. Donald Munro

It was voted by the Society that we contribute fifty dollars to the Boston Medical Library to help defray the cost of certain periodicals.

The following men were submitted by the Executive Council for Active Membership:

Dr. Albert H. Brewster
Dr. Jacob Fine
Dr. Franc D. Ingraham
Dr. Gilbert E. Haggart
Dr. Reginald H. Smithwick

There were forty two active members present and all five of the above men received the necessary two thirds vote and were elected to Active Membership.

It was unanimously voted that the Society accept with great pleasure the invitation of the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery to hold a joint meeting with that Society in Philadelphia on Monday, February 4, 1935.

The scientific session followed. A symposium on Progress in Gynecology with the following papers was presented:

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1.	Interesting Ovarian Tumors	Dr. J. V. Meigs
2.	Experiences with Antuitrin S.	Dr. C. H. Lawrence
3.	Endometrial Biopsy in Amenorrhea and Menorrhagia	Dr. John Rock
4.	(a) Diagnosis of Early Cancer of the Cervix (b) Alcohol Injections for the Relief of Pain in Cancer	Dr. G. V. S. Smith
5.	Management of Posterior Vaginal Hernia	Dr. Louis Phaneuf

The papers were very interesting and were followed by general discussion.

The Meeting adjourned shortly after ten thirty and light refreshments were served.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas H. Lanman
Secretary

Cushing, Hayward Warren, M. D. of Boston, a Member of the Boston Surgical Society, died at his home May 9, 1934.

He was born in Boston in 1854, the son of Hayward and Harriett (Pierce) Cushing. He entered Harvard College from the Boston Latin School in the class of 1877, and graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1882. Following this, he studied in England, Germany and Austria. Returning to Boston, he served on the Staffs of the Boston Dispensary, Carney Hospital and later as surgeon to the out-patients, and visiting surgeon to the Boston City Hospital. For many years, beginning sometime about March 1886, he was visiting surgeon at the Children's Hospital, beginning as is usual in the out-patient-department and later becoming visiting surgeon associated with the late Dr. H. L. Burrell.

His scientific medical associations were numerous. He was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, which he joined in 1881; he was a fellow of the American Medical Association; he was a member of the Societe Internationale de Chirurgie; the American College of Surgeons; the Boston Surgical Society; the Boston Society for Medical Improvement; the American Society for the Advancement of Science; and the Boston Society of Medical Sciences.

He was a member of the Harvard Club, the Tavern Club, and the Oakley Country Club.

It was my privilege to be associated with him, not only at the Children's Hospital, but at the Boston City Hospital as his house officer

He was a very careful, methodical and meticulous surgeon. He was studious in the conduct of his cases, and his records were most carefully compiled, besides being illustrated with beautiful anatomical drawings of various conditions and operations.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Martha (Thompson) Cushing, and two daughters, Mrs. Helen C. Bird of Norwell, and Mrs. Elizabeth C. Carleton of Cambridge.

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Read at Annual Meeting, December 1934.

The death, on April 20th of this year, of Dr. Abner Post, at the age of 90, takes from the senior membership of the Boston Surgical Society a man to whom the Society gladly does homage for his long life of unusual achievement.

During that long medical career his work of the highest order, frequently in advance of his time, carried through what have become to us two distinct branches of medical science - surgery and syphilography. As surgeon, looked up to by his contemporaries and sought by them; for he possessed the rare combination of wide surgical knowledge, remarkable powers of observation and an exactingly finished surgical technic. As syphilographer, he came to rank as the syphilographer of the country of his day. Two careers, either sufficient to satisfy any man.

Personally almost diffident, perhaps the defense for a personal sensitiveness, it is probable that the quiet force of his work is but partially appreciated by the many institutions which he served, and served to their advancement. Their number is many and the years of service long.

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Dr. Post's medical life began in Boston in 1872 with an assistant surgeonship at the U. S. Marine Hospital at Chelsea, his education having been acquired at Williston Seminary, Yale class of 1866, Harvard Medical School class of 1870, followed by two years abroad.

In 1876 he began his service at the Boston Dispensary, which he continued for thirty-seven years. Beginning with '81 he served the Children's Hospital as assistant surgeon for six years, five years later becoming Consulting Surgeon to that hospital. The year of 1882 marked the beginning of his connection with the Boston City Hospital and the Harvard Medical School. To the City Hospital he gave twenty-four years of active service resigning from his senior visiting surgeonship in 1906, and at that time becoming consulting surgeon. In the Medical School he served for thirty-four years, becoming Emeritus Professor of Surgery in 1918, and, at the time of his death the senior member of the faculty.

It is some measure of the man to find that in conjunction with all this, he wrote concisely and with authoritative accuracy on surgery and syphilis; served the Massachusetts General Hospital for several years as consultant in syphilis; the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal as

associate editor for nine years, and the Suffolk District Medical Society as president.

It is some measure of his advanced thinking to find that in 1884, he performed a successful closed reduction of a congenital hip; that in 1894 established clinical meetings at the City Hospital for internes and graduates; that he early advocated the treatment by arso-phenamine of pregnant syphiletic women for the benefit of their offspring. There is no human measure of the value of his conscientious treatment of patients, of his teaching of students and internes, of his share in the advancement of surgery in New England, and of syphilography in the country.

To the memory of Abner Post, son of Sylvester Gilbert and Marie Post Langdon, native of Westfield, whose years were filled with service of unusual value to our profession, the Boston Surgical Society pays humble homage.

For the Committee,

John Bapst Blake, Chairman
H. B. Loder

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